Lithuania in plea to West

Vilnius anger over seizure of deserters

From Anatol Lieven, Vilnius, and Mary Dejevsky, Moscow

c republic of Lithuayesterday sent Presi-Gorbachov a sharp st over the arrest of deserters and seizof Communist Party

lings. esident Vytautis Lanrgis and the Prime ister Mrs Kazimiera eskiene condemned constant demonstraof armed force, black-

by means of armed ference, unlawful occion of civil buildings nilitary personnel and cially the kidnapping ithuanian citizens on night of March 26-27". rs Pruneskiene said she tried to speak to Mr sachov by telephone, but been told he had no time. ne "kidnapping" referred e capture of more than 20 et army deserters who taken sanctuary in psychihospitals. Witnesses said e were beaten as they were a away, and blood was

ered on the steps of one ital in the capital Vilnius. hey beat them with their " a nurse said. Two uanian policemen were said to have been beaten a they tried to intervene. here are reported to be ly two thousand deserters nd around Vilnius, many stered at a special office in parliament building. Even the arrests, descriers were

arriving there yesterday to their names.

** Societ Defence Min-Mr Dmitri Yazov, on a day visit to France, said ers must be returned

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and took four wickets in balls vesterday to renew hopes of victory in the Test against West Indies. a, West Indies were 137 ur, a lead of 48. Page 48

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Soviet Union, but had to pay its debts first and could not 'simply slam the door shut".

General Valentin Varennikov, the commander of Soviet land forces who is in Lithuania, said the deserters had become militants in the nationalist movement and were undergoing special training at one of the hospitals.

He also defended the occupation of the communist party headquarters in the centre of Vilnius - the fifth party building to be seized by Soviet forces in recent days saying the military action was being taken "in fulfilment of the orders of the President and the Government of the USSR on strengthening the guard on important state buildings on the territory of Lithuania".

The Lithuanian party chief Mr Algirdas Brazauskas said: "I did not think it possible that crude armed force would be used against the central committee," adding that worcommittee," adding that wor-kers would remain at their ed off peacefully in Vilnius

mission to use violence, and appealed to the West for help.

"We raise this question to democratic nations: Is the West once again willing to sell Lithuania to the Soviet Union?" he asked reporters. And in remarks to parliament, he indicated that he suspected the United States of selling Lithuania short for the sake of

superpower relations. He said a report that the American Secretary of State,

"We do not know if this is a repeat of new secret protocols in a scenario reminiscent of that of 1940," he said, referring to the secret deal signed by the Kremlin and Nazi

Germany assigning Lithuania to the Soviet Union. The United States said on Monday that further Soviet action in Lithuania could harm US-Soviet relations, and American diplomats in Moscow are already saying that the developments could jeopardize the planned June summit in Washington; but has not extended diplomatic recognition to Lithuania.

Mr Gennady Gerasimov, the Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman, yesterday attacked the US Senate for passing a resolution which he said could

DERS of the rebel that Lithuania could leave the detonate an already explosive situation. "The attempt by the US Senate to influence the dynamics and the nature of processes taking place in the Soviet Union, rather than leading to a settlement of the situation, on the contrary leads to aggravation of the situation and makes the confrontation even more acute. It can even detonate the

difficult and explosive situation," he said. There was no immediate reaction from the United States or Nato to the overnight moves, but Mrs Margaret Thatcher told the Commons: "Force is not an appropriate way to settle this." She appealed for restraint, as did the European Community, which called for a "respectful, open and fair dialogue, avoiding the use of force".

In spite of repeated warnings of the risk of confronta-tion and violence, a rally organized by the pro-Soviet yesterday. Military helicopters
President Landsbergis said had dropped leaflets on the
twas obvious the Soviet capital the previous day, forces had been given per-exhorting people to attend the rally, but fewer than ten

thousand turned up. The leaflets denounced the republic's leadership saying it was leading the people into "the abyss of the unknown". "They are promising us miracles, wealth and freedom; but let us ask ourselves, is it worth believing these promises based on naked declarations and

political adventurism?* The limited attendance suggested either that people were Mr James Baker, had sent a afraid of violence, or that secret telegram to the Soviet kinsian and Polish oppo-Foreign Minister, Mr Eduard sition to the Sajudis govern-Shevardnadze, about Lithua-nia had caused concern. ment was waning — a view supported by preliminary resupported by preliminary reports of an overwhelming victory for the Sajudis in Vilnius council elections.

Several members of the new Lithuanian government now believe the critical point in the conflict has passed. Mr Justas Paleckis, second secretary of the Lithuanian Communist Party said: "The highest point of escalation has been reached and steps towards negotiation must begin. Estonia will be the first to open serious negotiations and we, because of our behaviour, will come afterwards. Our negotiations could begin in two or three months, and in the meantime we will be punished as at present."

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Move to help elderly in residential care

By Our Chief Political Correspondent

to the demands of Conserresidential care. vative backbenchers to help poor pensioners living in

private nursing homes. It has brought forward changes to the Social Security Bill, to be debated in the Commons today, designed to help the 176,000 people living in nursing and residential homes. Although Labour has cast doubt on the value of the concession, it appeared likely to satisfy Conservative MPs.

THE Government has bowed homes for people going into

Under the changes, the Department of Social Security, which will remain responsible for charges made on people already in care, will have to "take account" of the prices negotiated by the local authorities and reflect them in income support payments.

Mr Michael Meacher, Labour's social security spokesman, said: "This climbdown may humiliste the From April next year, local Government but it will not authorities will take over give security to the 176,000 reponsibility for negotiating sick and elderly people who the charges levied by the could face eviction."



Patten's 'green label' pledge

By Michael McCarthy

BRITAIN will have a "green label" scheme for environmentally-friendly products next year, Mr Chris Patten, Secretary of State for the Environment, promised

It will be introduced in the United Kingdom even if the plan for a Enropean Community-wide label, which Britain initiated, is not ready, Mr Patten said.

The schem . WDICH WILL D voluntary, will cover products claiming to be environ-mentally-benign from "cradle to grave", he said - meaning that their worth will be investigated from the raw material stage to the waste they

Speaking at a London conference on Business and the Environment, jointly organized by Coopers and Lybrand Deloitte, the accountancy firm, and The Times, Mr Patten said that EC environment ministers were now considering the "precise parameters" of the European green label and he hoped that an agreement could be put in to ction next year.

"If we can't get the progress that we would like to see across the European Community then we would want to start things off ourselves," he told an audience of chairmen and chief executives of leading

British companies. In the course of a wide-ranging review of the attitude of business to the environment, Mr Patten urged British industrialists not to miss out on the huge emerging market for pollution control technology, which "conservative estimates" put at £100 billion or

more worldwide. "The current UK pollution abatement market is valued at over £3 billion for manufacturing industry with growth of around nine per cent a year expected over the next ten years," he said. "I hope that won't be regarded exclusively as a challenge for German and Japanese manufacturers."

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Lawson call on ERM rejected by Thatcher

THE Prime Minister yes- last remaining obstacle to the Madrid conditions are terday rejected Mr Nigel early British entry into the fulfilled." Lawson's call for swifter entry ERM" was "the present teminto the Exchange Rate porary higher rate of Mechanism of the European inflation." Mechanism of the European Monetary System.

Pressed in the Commons on the former Chancellor's warning that the Government's too-leisurely" timetable for membership would under-mine the battle against inflation, Mrs Thatcher stood by the conditions for entry set at last June's Madrid summit, and said that there were still

reduction of inflation which had to be fulfilled. But she said that while had been unable to join the ERM during her first decade in power she hoped to do so during her second.

Her remarks reinforced the impression of MPs that she is less enthusiastic than many in the Cabinet to join the ERM. Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, declared: "It is evident that the Prime Minister has absolutely no serious intention of joining the ERM for as long as she survives." Mr Hugh Dykes, a pro-European Conservative MP,

asked her to confirm that "the

Mrs Thatcher told him that was "not quite right", and resterated the Madrid conditions of free movement of capital through the EC, reduction of British inflation and proper EC competition.

When Mr Kinnock asked whether the current pace towards entry was "too iei-surely" Mrs Thatcher replied: conditions other than the "We are committed to joining the ERM. We shall do so when

Mr Dykes: Asked about

Labour MPs tried to embarrass Mrs Thatcher over the issue of her leadership. But the Prime Minister is preparing to use her speech at the Conservative Central Council in Cheltenham on Saturday to urge her party to lift its sights beyond its present difficulties.

Even her closest supporters, however, anticipate several more difficult months for the Prime Minister. A senior loyalist MP said yesterday that dissidents were engaged in a campaign to break the Prime

Minister's nerve. to set new conditions for Britain's entry to the EMS in evidence on the Budget to the Commons Treasury and Civil Service select committee yes-

terday. Mr David Peretz, the monetary group's under secretary, insisted that entry would have to wait "until conditions are such that entry could be brought about without disturbance to our policy, to the markets or other members."

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Ford cuts 2,800 jobs

By Kevin Eason

Motoring Correspondent FORD is to cut by a third the assembly line workforce at Halewood, on Merseyside, as the car company starts a national drive to reduce costs in the face of competition

from Japanese manufacturers The 8,500-strong workforce at Halewood has been told that 2,800 jobs will go over the next five years, although all the losses should come from natural wastage and voluntary

redundancies. The company said that the Halewood measures would be manning levels at its 21 British plants.

Union leaders will be seeking further information from company executives within the next few days for a detailed explanation of where jobs will

go and when. Meanwhile, Sir John Egan, who revived Jaguar from near bankruptcy, is to leave the firm. He will be succeeded by Mr William Hayden, vicepresident of the manufacturing group at Ford of Europe.

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Hong Kong abode plan now ready

By Philip Webster

THE Government has de- are adopting a high-risk stratcided to attempt to ride out egy by bringing forward the Conservative opposition by Bill at a time of unpopularity Conservative opposition by publishing next week its controversial plans to grant British citizenship to 50,000

Hong Kong families. The points scheme under discussion in the past few months by the Home Office, Foreign Office and Hong Kong government to enhance stability in the colony is now almost complete and is expected to receive final approval from a Cabinet committee in the next few

The Government is, however, facing a move by oppo-nents of the legislation to clog the parliamentary timetable by having the committee stage of the Bill taken on the floor of the Commons.

Ministers accept that they

for the Government and the Prime Minister, who is strongly identified with the

The scheme, which is designed to "anchor" people in Hong Kong rather than encourage them to leave, establishes some eight cate-gories of residents who will benefit.

These include senior managers, educational workers, medical doctors, judges, lawyers, and workers in the

information sciences industry. Numbers are to be set for each category, and applicants will gain or lose points according to certain criteria. These will include their educational and professional qualifica-Continued on page 24, col 6

Come here you sons of a sorceress, you

offspring of adulterers and prostitutes.

Asked later if this was meant to refer Ministers of the Crown, Mr Fletcher

Dr Leonard, who preached the sermon immediately after, said: "I have been connected with St Paul's since 1962 and

I can never remember anything like this

that I totally deplored what he had done.

Some of the congregation were in tears.

I did make it clear to him afterwards

RAISED IN THE HIGHLANDS.



THE FAMOUS GROUSE FINEST SCOTCH WHISKY

QUALITY IN AN AGE OF CHANGE.

Ilea chief gives an unofficial lesson at St Paul's when Mr Fletcher reached the words



By Douglas Broom Education Reporter

AN UNEXPECTED lesson at a valedictory service in St Paul's Cathedral yes-terday for the Inner London Education Authority provoked canonical alarm as Wren's famous dome echoed to a bibli-cal denunciation of the Government.

In place of St Luke's story of the child Jesus debating with the elders in the temple, the congregation of 2,000 school children and civic dignitaries were treated to Isaiah's fiery denunciation of

those who make unjust laws". Worshippers following the gospel text printed in the official programme stared in disbelief as Mr Neil Fletcher, the authority's Labour leader, produced a medley of extracts recking of brimstone. The service had been arranged to

celebrate the work of lies whose own day

of reckoning is only days away. At the

weekend its 1,200 schools will be handed over to the inner London boroughs. As he ascended the pulpit the assembled clergy, who included Dr Graham Leonard, Bishop of London, and the Very Rev Eric Evans, Dean of St Paul's, had no inkling that he was about to substitute his own choice of scripture. Mr Fletcher simply announced: "I will

now read the second lesson, and, having looked at the text, have selected as more appropriate to the occasion the book of the prophet Isaiah." He then proceeded to read Chapter 10,

verses one to four, from the New International Version: "Woe to those who make unjust laws ..."; Chapter 33, verse one, "Woe to you O destroyer ... "When you stop destroying you will be destroyed"; and Chapter 57, verses one to five, "The righteous perish and no one

ponders in their hearts." Clerical eyebrows rose even higher

If that was what the sort of thing he wanted to say, I do not think St Paul's was the place to say it." Conceding that he had upset some members of the congregation, Mr Fletcher said: "I would not fancy my chances in the afterlife. But all the Labour mayors came up to me and

thanked me for doing what I did."

said: "If the cap fits ...'

happening before.

By Nicholas Wood Political Correspondent

SCHOOL leavers are to be Even training credits worth £1,000 to £1,500 each as part of a revolution in youth training announced by the Government yesterday.

The scheme is designed to concentrate part of the £1 billion a year Youth Training Scheme budget on high quality training courses rather than subsidizing the wage costs of employers taking on oung people.

Ministers have concluded that with the number of school-leavers due to drop dramatically over the next few years there is less need to provide an incentive to employers to hire young workers.

Under previous proposals, most of the £37 a week that employers receive for taking

By Our Transport Correspondent

Tens of thousands of householders

breathed a collective sigh of relief

yesterday after Mr Cecil Parkinson, the Secretary of State for Transport, said he

would not proceed with a programme of

road building in London. The announce-

ment removed a major cause of the

property blight over the past 18 months,

16-year-olds or £35 for 17-

This allowance will increasingly become the responsibility of employers, releasing taxpayer's money for training.

The new approach will be introduced through 10 pilot schemes covering 10 per cent



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Parkinson scraps road programme

recommendations for new and expanded

roads in east, west and south London,

the London Assessment Studies, includ-

ing a tunnel from Chiswick to Wands-

worth and a link from Holloway Road to

King's Cross, are now scrapped.

All new road proposals contained in

and along the South Circular Road.

each year and will start in April next year. Total funding for the pilot schemes in 1992-93 will be £115 million.

Mr Michael Howard, Secretary of State for Employment, was congratulated by Conservative MPs on his "imaginative" proposals after he announced them in the Commons vesterday.

Labour did not attack the basis of the scheme - which is closely modelled on proposals from the Confederation of British Industry - but at-tacked the Government's training record.

The Opposition accused ministers of planning a onethird cut in the youth training budget over the next three years and doubted whether the extra £37 million being pro-

channeled into paying the or 45,000 16- and 17-year-olds deliver the Government's weekly allowance of £29.50 for leaving full-time education promises of a skills revolution. Mr Howard said the purpose of the scheme was to motivate young people to train after they had left school and so increase the skills and productivity of the workforce. Industrialists were warned yesterday they must retrain

the "lost generation" of workers who have neither an academic or vocational qualification if Britain is to remain competitive and build on the base skills sufficient to handle future technology.

Mr Peter Morgan, director of the Institute of Directors, told the Human Resources Development Week Conference in London that with-out such commitment young brains would be "consigned to the scrap heap".

Mr Alistair Morton, Eurotunnel's

chief executive and deputy chairman,

yesterday predicted that London would

be by-passed by Frankfurt, Paris and

Brussels unless the Government im-

proved an integrated transport system linking Britain with the rest of Europe.

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yesterday they would not have the new tax. to pay the community charge because they spent so much

The decision, by the Humberside valuation and community charge tribunal was immediately welcomed by the men's union, which tax bills. said 20,000 other merchant seamen could now be exempt from paying the poll tax.

The tribunal decided that Mr John Gedge, who last year spent 86 days at home and Mr Jeff Johnson, who was at sea for 245 days, did not benefit sufficiently from local services to pay the tax. Their wives, however, will still have to pay. Their victory will prompt

other groups of workers, including airline pilots, to examine whether they also can avoid the charge because their jobs lead them to spend most Avon County Council is to of their time away from go to the High Court in an

Royal Navy ratings and officers who are on continuous exercise for six months or more will also be able to apply for exemption.

Meanwhile, the Labour Party warned yesterday that capping the community after a charge could cost up to £50 Medina B million while destroying the of Wight.

Two Hull seamen were told last remaining justification for

Seamen win

exemption

from poll tax

Mr David Hunt, the Local Government Minister, is expected to announce next week a list of up to 20 authorities, probably all Labour-con-trolled, which will be forced to cut spending plans and poll

It is understood he has abandoned the original estimate for up to 120 chargecapped authorites which have far exceeded the Government's spending target

A survey carried out by the Conservative Party shows that poll tax payers in Tory-controlled London boroughs will be on average about £150 better off than those living under Labour councils. The 12 highest charges among the 32 councils were in Labour

attempt to prevent its poll tax payers having to find an additional £3 per head to help fund the Avon and Somerset police force.

 Mr Andrew Mursell, a student aged 19, has received a poll tax bill for £3,864,081.55 after a computer error by Medina Borough Council, Isle



Britain down d

Tomomi Sawabe, aged six, with Mario, Claridges' doorman, during the launch of the Japan Festival

Festival hopes to close culture gap

By Simon Tait, Arts Correspondent

JAPAN and its culture are to Sir Peter Parker, festival chair-

film, music, design, sport and robotics will feature in the to December next year.

ing a new era of constructive ton, west London. ship and I hope that Traditional and the Japan Festival will serve to broaden and strength the understanding between our

two nations. Mr Toshiki Kaifu, the Japanese Prime Minister, also sent a message and his govern-ment has promised a contribution to the festival.

be the subject of one of the biggest festival projects undertaken in the United Kingdom, with at least £4 million coming from Japan and £8 million being raised in this country.

Theatre, Sumo wrestling, film music design sport and the sum of the festival was to bridge the cultural divide between the two countries. two countries. Crown Prince Naruhito of

festival at venues throughout Japan and the Prince of Wales the country from September are to be joint festival patrons. The cornerstone event is to In a message to yesterday's be the exhibition Japan In

launch, Mrs. Thatcher said: Perspective at the Victoria "Britain and Japan are enter- and Albert Museum, Keasing-Japanese theatre will be seen in such venues as the National

Theatre, London, and the Theatre Royal, Glasgow; there will be concerts, film seasons, ballet and, at the Albert Hall, London, the first Sumo wrestling tournament in

Cash boost to fight terrorism in Ulster

The Government is to increase its spending in the fight against terrorism in Northern Ireland.

Cash for law and order, excluding the Army and Ul-ster Defence Regiment, is to be increased by £46 million to £684 million next year and to £780 million in 1992-93.

The RUC is to get an extra £18 million for the year, with extra civilian staff employed officers on to the streets.

Leaving prison

Eddie Gallagher, aged 42, the former IRA man responsible

for the 1975 kidnapping of Dr Tiede Herrema, a Dutch industrialist, is to be released from jail in the Irish Republic today after serving 14 years of a 20-year sentence. Dr Herre-

ma has backed calls for

Gallagher's release. Painkillers' toll Painkillers for arthritis contribute to the deaths of 1,500 Britons each year by causing stomach ulcers which perforate and bleed, Dr Hum-

(Thomson Prentice writes). Charge dropped

phrey Hodgson, a gastroenter-

ologist at Hammersmith Hos-

pital, said yesterday

Mr John Hanna, aged 45, a former officer at the Maze Prison in Northern Ireland, was acquitted yesterday of aiding the attempted assassination of a colleague. He still faces another murder charge.

Top ballet post Ivan Nagy, the former Hun-

City 'out of step' on code for takeovers

LEADING City firms were "out of step" with codes of practice over the way in which takeover battles should be fought, Southwark Crown Court was told in the Guinness affair trial yesterday.

Senior and "highly reputable" advisers believed indemnities against loss could be paid to supporters without disclosure as long as the remained legal, it was claimed

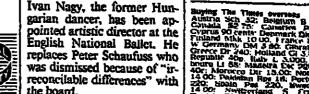
Mr Peter Fraser, deputy director-general of the Panel on Takeovers and Meners, blamed brokers and bankers for taking their own legal advice rather than consulting the panel about the spirit of

He said the panel had an open-door consultancy policy and would give a view on tactics before a move was made. The aim was to avoid manipulation of the market price of shares during a hostile bid and giving a "distorted picture".

But he said that in the light of Guinness's takeover of Distillers and another case, both in 1986, the code had to be changed. He agreed that it was only in January 1987 that it specifically referred to indemnities paid to supporters.

Ernest Saunders, former chairman and chief executive of Guinness; Gerald Ronson, chairman of Heron International; the stockbroker Anthony Parnes; and the financier Sir Jack Lyons deny 24 counts of theft, false accounting and breaches of the Com-

panies Act The trial continues today



Help with the cost of disability-new arrangements from April

The Department of Social Security is making changes to give more people help with the costs of being disabled:

- Help for severely disabled babies. Attendance Allowance can be paid for babies under two years. The weekly rate will be £37.55 or £25.05, according to the baby's disability.
- People who are both deaf and blind may get a Mobility Allowance of £26.25 a week.
- Extra help for disabled people on Income Support, Housing Benefit or Community Charge Benefit will mean more people will qualify. Weekly disability premiums go up to £15.40 for single people, £22.10 for couples and £15.40 for disabled children.
- Carers may be able to qualify for Invalid Care Allowance payments with weekly earnings of up to £20.
- People who get Sickness Benefit, Invalidity Benefit or Severe Disablement Allowance can earn up to £35.00 a week and still receive their full benefit, where the work they do is medically beneficial.
- People who get Invalidity Benefit, Sickness Benefit or Severe Disablement Allowance can keep their full benefit money when they go on employment rehabilitation courses.

If you want more information or advice about the benefit changes in April, call in at your local Social Security office, ring Freeline Social Security on 0800 666 555 between 10 am and 4 pm, or send in the coupon below.

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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SECURITY.

Britain to crack down on flow of illegal drugs cash

By Quentin Cowdry and Stewart Teadler

police and Customs the power to stop drug traffickers moving large sums of cash in and out of Britain were announced by the Government yesterday.

They are designed to close a egal loophole which allowed dealers and accomplices to import and export cash, sometimes tens of thousands of pounds at a time, in suitcases other countries in criminal and even plastic carrier bags.

practice has become more widespread after the introduction four years ago of measures designed to encourage banks to report suspicious transactions. At present, officials have little scope to investigate such cash movements because of the Government's opposition to exchange controls. There are fears the practice could become more controls in the EC are eased.

Under the proposals, police or Customs would have the right to seize £10,000 or month if they had reasonable grounds to suspect the money derived ences of American investigators fighting the Colombian gators fighting the Colombian right to seize £10,000 or more provide the legislation have from drugs deals. Any cash seized could be held for up to 48 hours without legal review. The money could only be held for longer with the permission of a magistrate, up to a maximum of two years.

Courts would also be able to impose confiscation orders if to stop laundering, the more they were convinced the cash the launderer will look to represented the proceeds of, or methods such as straight-

dington, the Home Secretary, said the "success" of the 1986 Drug Trafficking Offences Act had forced more international traffickers to carry and deal in Colombian cocaine traffickers cash. "Clearly it should not be in the early 1980s and the

possible for professional traf-fickers freely to pass in and amounts of cash which the fickers freely to pass in and out of the UK carrying suitcases full of money."

The proposals are being added to the Criminal Justice (International Co-operation) Bill, now at the report stage in the Commons. The Bill, mainly designed to improve liaison between Britain and will cover illicit drugs profits

Drugs profits worth some £16 million have been confiscated since the Drug Trafficking Offences Act was passed in 1986, a figure which police and Customs accept is far too low. The National Drugs Intelligence Unit estimates that traffickers have common after 1992 as frontier profits totalling some £1,800 million in bank accounts in Britain.

The Home Office plans to drug cartels and after pressure from British Customs officials who feared that a great amount of illegal money was leaking out of Britain.

As a country places more controls on its banking system Announcing the proposals yesterday, Mr David Waddington, the Home Samuel Trail showing the move cash. Smuggling to move cash. Smuggling has the added advantage that the start of the "paper trail" showing the cash.

more difficult to find. The problems in the US began with the rise of the Colombians wanted to get back to South America or to secret accounts abroad.

Some of the cash was passed out of the country via banking institutions but as money laundering investigators began to focus on the banks and exchange houses the traffickers turned to simpler methods. ad even plastic carrier bags. prosecutions, should be on the In May 1983, Ramón Millan Customs officials think the statute book by summer. It Rodriguez, a Florida account-In May 1983, Ramón Millan will cover illicit drugs profits ant, was stopped as he was made before the proposals about to fly south to Panama with £5 million.

US Customs believe that he was only one of many pilots and businessmen taking cargoes of cash from Florida.
Other launderers drove across the border into Canada, and seizures of anything from \$300,000 to \$1.3 million have been made on the border from cars driven by Colombians.

The Americans brought in controls which made it an offence not to declare cash worth more than \$10,000 leaving or arriving in the US. The law gives the investigators the power to seize cash, but American Customs agents point out that enforcement requires either more manpower or better intelligence.

Britain has been used as part of Colombian trafficking networks. Several years ago investigators at Heathrow, watching Florida flights for cocaine smugglers, discovered a passenger from Florida arriving with \$300,000.

Customs could not do anything but the discovery led to an investigation which disbanks by Colombian launderers to move well over £25 million out of the US and into

Rainforest life comes to Dudley Zoo



MISS Romilly Page-Wood, a butter-fly keeper and botanical illustrator, keeping a close eye on one of her charges in the new Geochrom which was opened at Dudley Zoo in the West Midlands yesterday.

The £1 million Geochrom gathers aspects of geology, zoology and botany under the one glass roof (Craig Seton

writes). An exhibition with special effects gives visitors a glimpse of natural history, showing the geologi-

Visitors to the zoo have fallen from 750,000 a year in the 1950s to 250,000, and the zoo hopes that the main feature is a 600 sq metre walkthrough exhibition, within which has n created a tropical rainforest environment with crocodiles, fish, outterflies, trees and plants. There are

The zoo says that the Geochrom could play an important part in the development of zoos as public concern

also to be exotic birds,

Baroness

'planned to

trace over

signature

BARONESS Susan de Stem-

pel ordered her wealthy aunt's forged will to be printed on

thin paper to make tracing

over her signature easier,

Birmingham Crown Court

for the prosecution, said that

the baroness ordered London

solicitors to use thin paper for

the will because her aunt,

bia" about thick paper.

Lady Illingworth, had a "pho-

"It was because there was to

Mr Timothy Barnes,

was told yesterday.

The term Geochrom was derived from the words geocentric, meaning the Earth as centre, chronos, for time, and, matrix, for the womb, or cavity

'Sell by' offenders could be jailed

By Michael Hornsby Agriculture Correspo

OFFENDERS against new rules on the date-marking of food sold in shops could face fines or jail terms, the Government announced yesterday.

The present system of "sell by" dates is to be phased out and replaced by more rigorous "use by" dates for certain produce, Mr David Maclean. Parliamentary Secretary at the Ministry of Agriculture, Fish-cries and Food, told the House of Commons at the committee stage of the Food Safety Bill.

He said: "'Use by' dates clearly represent a final date for the use of highly microbiologically perishable foods and in view of this I propose to make the sale of such foodstuffs after the use by date has expired an offence."

"Best before" would remain the main date-marking for most food and would be extended to long-life and frozen foods, which had hitherto been excluded. It would also become an offence, except in special circumstances, to redate food.

Discussions are to be beld with the Department of Health on what foods should fall into the "use by" category. The Ministry of Agriculture said they would probably include some dairy products, cook-chill and partially cooked foods and fresh meat and poultry.

"No decision has been taken on what penalties should be imposed on offenders, but they will probably be in line with those already provided for false labelling: a maximum of two years in prison or an unlimited fine,"

the ministry said. Mr Mackean said similar regulations would be required under a European Communny labelling directive to come into force in 1992, but the Government had decided not to wait until then.

The Consumers' Association welcomed the announcement, adding it was important that the definitions

Linley story 'was not fabricated'

Linley had been banned from throwing a pint of beer at a group of friends, the High Court was told yesterday.

The source of an item in the Today newspaper's gossip column was Mrs Carolyn Peacock, the manageress of the Ferret and Firkin at Chelsea Harbour, the court was told. She allegedly told reporters that the Queen's cousin had been told to remove himself to the kindergarten playground

next door after the incident. The claim was made by three journalists on the second day of the libel action, the first to be brought to court by a

member of the Royal Family. The journalists described two interviews with Mrs Peacock in March last year about 18 months after the

alleged incident. Lord Linley, aged 28, the son of Princess Margaret and Lord Snowdon, is seeking damages against the newspaper's publishers, News named she had been clearly

A TEENAGER was sentenced

to seven years' detention yes-

terday by the Central Criminal

Court, London, after admit-

ting three charges of robbery.

three of attempted robbery

and four of possessing fire-

The court was told Daniel

Saunders, aged 19, had been out of custody for four months

after serving a four-year sen-

tence for robbing two elderly

Saunders turned to crime to

fund his heroin addiction, Mr

Jeremy Donne, for the prosec-

ution, said. He was identified

after being filmed by a security

camera as he tried to rob

Barclays Bank in Bow, east

London, armed with a sawn-

Only three of the raids were

successful, netting a total of

£570. All the raids took place

arms with intent.

ricate its story that Viscount Mayer, a freelance reporter, Mr Rigg for the item, which he had invented the item. who is a regular at the Ferret shared with Mr Mayer. a London public house for and Firkin, said that Mrs

On March 20, 1989, Mr did so shortly afterwards. a bit of a fun story. We have all Mayer returned with Mr Bur- He added: "Mrs Peacock at one time or another had a

of Mr Chris Hutchins, the telephoned him. The report was published on March 28 but only after Mr James Steen, a staff reporter on the paper, visited Mrs Peacock to confirm the tip-off.

Mrs Peacock, who now runs the Uxbridge Arms in Kensington, west London, denied in court on Monday telling journalists about any such incident and said it had never

After the publication of the report, the court was told, Mrs Peacock was unhappy because although she had not been

Youth stole to

fund addiction

A NEWSPAPER did not fab- (UK) Limited. Mr Angus identified Today paid £125 to ily but strenuously denied he

Questioned by Mr Gareth Peacock told him about the Williams, QC, for News (UK), ban during a conversation in Mr Mayer said he made no the company of two other notes when he and Mr Rigg interviewed Mrs Peacock but

nett Rigg, another freelance showed some interest in being bit of fun in a pub. I didn't see Mr Rigg a regular contact about Viscount Linley I said that if other celebrities came newspaper's diary editor, then into the pub and she saw any possible diary items then we

would pay money for them." Michael Caine the actor occasionally visited the pub and a number of other celeb-

rities lived in the area. Mr Mayer said he thought the Lord Linley story was a worthwhile piece of gossip to pursue. He wanted Mr Rigg to accompany him so he had a witness when he interviewed Mrs Peacock again.

Cross-examined by Mr Charles Gray, QC, for Lord Linley, he agreed that tabloid newspapers were avid for any scandal about the Royal Fam-

were libelled by The Sunday

Times took part in subversive

activities for the IRA, an Irish

police officer told the High

Det Inspector Dan Prenty

said the premises of Mr

Thomas Murphy and his

brother, Patrick, near the bor-

der with Northern Ireland

were searched in June last year

as part of investigations into the shooting of two RUC

officers three months earlier.

He said they intended to

arrest Thomas Murphy but he

escaped through a back win-

dow. Mr Prenty later con-

tacted Thomas by telephone

and he agreed to surrender

He was arrested and held for

48 hours but remained silent

Mr Prenty, based at Dun-

dalk. Co Louth, said he knew

the Murphy brothers, who

until he was released.

himself.

Court in Dublin yesterday.

Murphy brothers

'worked for IRA'

TWO brothers who claim they were businessmen and farm-

ers and dealt in oil.

He said as far as he was

concerned, Thomas in par-

ticular, and to a lesser degree Patrick, would be engaged in

subversive activities on behalf

of the IRA and that view was

The libel action has been

taken by Mr Patrick Murphy,

of Crossmaglen, Co Armagh,

and Mr Thomas Murphy, who

lives near Dundalk. They are

suing Times Newspapers, Mr

Andrew Neil, editor of The

Sunday Times, and four

They claim they were li-

belied in an article published

on June 30, 1985, about IRA

against 12 resorts in Britain.

plans for a bombing campaign

The brothers claim a ref-

erence to a "Slab Murphy" as a new IRA "operations

commander" was taken by

shared by other Gardaí.

Mr Rigg, aged 47, said: "Mrs Peacock said, 'you can

use the story but don't use my name'. She said she might get into trouble." He added: "I thought it was

Mr Steen, aged 24, told the court that he went to see Mrs Peacock after Mr Hutchins

asked him to check the story. He said: "She did not refuse to talk to me. When she saw my notebook she did not clam up. I didn't falsify the book

be an attempt to trace over after the visit to the public Lady Illingworth's genuine signature," Mr Barnes said. He added that when the will Mr Steen added that he felt wronged" after hearing that was signed in June 1984, the Mrs Peacock denied she had baroness had the copying of ever spoken to him. He told the court that on up to a dozen occasions after Lord Linley

her aunt's signature down to a "By the time the will came began legal action he atto be signed, the practice of forging Lady Illingworth's sigtempted to contact her but that she refused to speak to nature rendered any need for him on the telephone. tracing unnecessary," he said. Baron Michael de Stempel, The case continues today.

aged 60, said he had no knowledge of the bequests in the 1984 will and denied that he knew Susan de Stempel to be the its principal beneficiary before he agreed to marry her under pressure".

He said that he had acted simply as a "messenger boy" in the legalities of the will. He said that he approached a new solicitor because Lady Illingworth's previous solicitors had made a "dog's dinner" of a 1974 will.

The baron said that he left the house before the will was signed because he believed it to be a family matter.

Mr Barnes said, however: "I uggest you knew full well that Lady Illingworth wasn't in the room when the will was signed because that was the plan."

It was the prosecution's submission that the baron's "fingerprints" were all over the will in its "flamboyant" style. Baron de Stempel, Mr Marcus Wilberforce, aged 28, and Sophia Wilberforce, aged 27,

deny conspiring to steal Lady Illingworth's £500,000 fortime. Baroness de Stempel has pleaded guilty to five charges

Donor's consent 'the ethical key'

operation should not be whether money had changed had consented freely to the operation, a disciplinary hear- sums offered to the Turks ing of the General Medical

Council was told yesterday. Mr Anthony Arlidge, QC, was making his closing address to the GMC professional conduct committee in defence of Dr Raymond Crockett, a Harley Street kidney specialist, who is one of three doctors

accused of serious pro-fessional misconduct in connection with the alleged sale of kidneys by Turkish "donors". Mr Michael Bewick, a leading transplant surgeon, and Mr Michael Joyce, a urologist,

and Dr Crockett all deny the charges related to operations carried out in 1988. All too often money was

allowed to become a dirty word, Mr Arlidge said. Altruism was not incompatible with the payment of money, any way a person who wished particularly in the case of three of the donors who wanted the It did not say that, money to help members of their families.

the real test is not relationship could be struck off, it must be or altruism or payment but made clear what offence he whether the donor acts had committed. freely?" he asked. If there was

THE criterion for judging the wrong to deny anyone the ethics of a live transplant right to save another person's life when the chances of the donor suffering in the short or hands but whether the donor long-term were infinitesimal.

Could it be said that the were so enormous that they were they acting of their own free will, he asked.

It was possible to draw the guidelines on ethical conduct too tight, Mr Arlidge said. To err on the side of protecting the doctor could condemn the

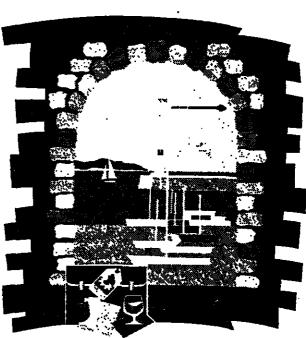
patient to death. The recipient's condition must play a part. One would need very strong grounds in a democratic society for a group of people to say, "The choice

is not yours, it is ours". He said there was no doubt that the General Medical Council had the power to promulgate advice to practitioners. It would have been perfectly possible for it to say that no doctor must assist in

Before a man could be heir families. found guilty of professional
"Might it not be said that misconduct and before he

to give his kidney for money.

The hearing continues no coercion, it would be today.



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Brussels red tape 'could strangle advertising industry'

By Richard Evans Media Editor

THE originality, humour and commercial success which has made Britain's £7 billion-a-year advertising industry a world leader is under severe threat from a mass of proposed European directives, it

was claimed yesterday. Lip to £1.4 billion - 20 per cent of the industry's revenue - spent on advertising tobacco, food, pharmacenticals, alcoholic drinks, cars and financial services on television and in the press is at risk, an advertising conterence in London was told.

Mr Peter Mitchell, chairman of the Advertising Association's special issues committee, said the cause

which produced a European Parliament hostile to the concept of advertising and marketing, and a desire within the European Commission in Brussels to "barmonize" advertising standards in favour of restriction rather than liberalization.

stemmed from last year's elections

near Saunders's home in Bow, Daniel Saunders: Filmed

trying to rob bank

Press, television and poster advertising of tobacco products, worth about £80 million a year in Britain, is the first casualty and advertising industry leaders fear it will have a "domino effect" as Brussels is proposing a series of highly restrictive directives covering the advertising of a multitude of

Adverts for pipe tobacco and ciears on television will be banned next year but a total media ban on all tobacco advertising seems inevitable.

More worrying to the advertising industry are proposals affecting food and pharmaceuticals whose press and television advertising is worth £480 million and £91 million

The food directive recommends, for example, tight restrictions on advertising "natural" foods, nutritional values, preservatives or products which have "free from" labels or are low fat or low sugar. Mrs Valerie Saint, head of legal services for Birds Eye-Wall's, told

the conference: "Consumers are

now demanding more low-content

products; manufacturers are seeking

seeking to restrict what we can say about them." Food could be advertised as "farm products" only if it was produced on a farm of "nonindustrial scale". Mrs Saint added: "How many

chickens is a farmer allowed before his farm is judged to be of nonindustrial scale. Mr Alan Chilton, sales director of Scottish Television, highlighted

three television adverts which, he said, could not be screened if the European plans become law. A Keilogg's Ali Bran commercial which said the product helped the digestive system would be banned

because its claim would be prohib-

ited under the current draft "food

vert for St Clements cordial drink would have to go because it made a comparative claim that it was better than other orange drinks because it contained no artificial sweetener, colourings or flavourings.
"Such comparative claims will be

prohibited under the food claims draft." Mr Chilton said. An advert for Diet 7-Up would

also be banned because it said the drink was 100 per cent saccharin free. "The directive prohibits such claims if saccharin has been replaced with a similar ingredient which serves the same function, that

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Collapse of NHS feared if Clarke reforms untested

By Jill Sherman, Social Services Correspondent

THE Royal Medical and on a pilot study and conceded the new chief of research and terday that the NHS was in danger of collapsing if the Government went ahead with plans to introduce untested reforms across the country

from April next year. a three-year pilot study in two the part of the 14 English health rehe said. gions to test the key reforms, uch as self-governing hospitals, GP practice budgets and an internal market in health care, to see if they

improved patient care. The college presidents are also pressing for all-party support for a House of Lords amendment to the NHS and of experience after that.

Community Care Bill calling for a full evaluation of the raising ridiculous fears in

Issuing a statement in Brighton at the annual congress of the Royal College of Nursing, the presidents said there could be "disastrous" consequences if the Government implemented its proposals nationwide.

"It is in the interest of the Government, public and proessions to ensure that the whole of the NHS is not subject to a gigantic and costly experiment, which has a high isk of failure," Professor Medical Colleges, said. "If the Government's proposals are implemented nationally there is a good risk of the collapse of the whole NHS."

The colleges, which have been lobbying peers over the last few months, have already won support from three Conservative peers, Yesterday Lord Ennals, Labour health sookesman in the Lords,

that a Labour government development, a post just cre-would have to rethink its plan ated by the Department of to repeal the changes, in the Health, should carry out the light of the results.

"We are committed to revoking these controversial council of equal numbers of changes but if the Govern-The colleges joined forces to ment put these into a process ies and of government. urge the Government to set up of evaluation then of course the party would think again,"

> Mr Kenneth Clarke, the Secretary of State for Health, made it clear, however, that the Government had no intention of slowing its reforms or staging their introduction. The changes would be introduced in essence next year and would evolve in the light

He accused the colleges of raising ridiculous fears in their attempts to explain to "unelected peers that they would like to somehow put a spoke in the wheels at this late stage". A pilot study would create

uncertainty, further delay and would have a demoralizing effect on the 79 units which had expressed interest in selfgoverning status and the 850 GPs keen to take on their own

Professor Williams said that it was clearly wrong to introduce a new structure when there was no evidence that the changes would improve pahealth professionals considcred that the plans would endanger standards of care and reduce availability of care for those who needed it.

He insisted, however, that the colleges were not attempting to restrict changes but to "identify and foster changes" beneficial and to modify those which were less effective.

assessment. He or she would be supported by an advisory nominees of professional bod-

The statement claimed that the Department of Health's wn advisers recognized that there was an enormous amount of work to be done before the information sysin the Government's own proposals were tested and not because of the weakness of the

support system, it said.
The colleges have been consistently opposed to the plan to set up self-governing hospitals, which they claim will lead to a two-tier service and the most skilled staff being attracted by higher

The ability of self-governing hospitals to set their own rates of pay would lead to an unequal distribution of staff and inequality in health care

Earlier, nursing delegates attending the congress gave unanimous backing to a tients or clients in the commu nity to have a statutory right of access to a skilled nursing assessment as part of the care package which local authorities will have to provide from April next year.

They also supported an emergency resolution calling that could be shown to be for the introduction of a national inspectorate to monitor and set standards of care The colleges propose that in health and social services.



Four of the crew of the first Hercules transport plane to be delivered to the RAF in 1966 kneel on the tarmac as a flypast of four planes passes overhead. The men were at RAF Lyneham to celebrate a million hours of operational flying by the force's "workhorse of the sky". A specially liveried aircraft made a commemorative flight

Minister

announces

£32m for

spacecraft

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

THE Government is to

contribute £32 million to the

development of a new tele-

communications spacecraft,

to be built by the European

1994, it was announced

The satellite will carry

equipment for laser commun-

ications between spacecraft and will be used for an

experimental mobile radio

vesterday.

from the Wiltshire base, which is home of the Lockheed turbo-prop aircraft, known affectionately as the Fat Albert. The base handles 61 of the present 62 Hercules in service in their worldwide roles. Group Captain Ian Corbitt told a pre-flight press conference that the RAF fleet was only the second in the world - after the US

- to achieve a million flying hours. In service the aircraft had been involved worldwide, in its Nato support role and in humanitarian missions. The plane's short take-off and long-range capability have proved invaluable in famine relief work - notably in Ethiopia in 1984 and 1985. Two

Hercules aircraft were stationed there to ferry life-saving supplies to remo regions. For yesterday's historic flight the crew was picked from the longestserving men. The original crew members were also on board. They are (left to right) Mr Mel Beanett, Mr David Wright, Mr Fred Pennycott and Mr

20% of hospital patients 'suffer from malnutrition'

yesterday (Jill Sherman writes).

Mrs Jean Page, a nurse manager from Manchester, said the worst problems occurred in long-stay hospitals for ill, where staff failed to monitor patients' diets or

Breakfasts were left uneaten because nurses had forgotten to replace patients' dentures, Mrs Page said. In other cases the doctors' ward rounds took priority over finishing lunch. Sometimes financial cutbacks

patients, although acute hospitals were given £12. As a result dictary deficience. result dietary deficiencies in fibre, iron and vitamins E and D were common and there was a high instance of scurvy due to Vitamin C deficiency.

Other delegates claimed that cancer patients on radiotherapy were often deprived of special diets because of the

Miss Rose Dickson said: "Many cancer patients are losing weight and becoming economically unsound."

TWENTY per cent of hos- had meant less balanced diets. distressed because they think pital patients have mal- For example, lettuce, tom- this is due to the disease when nutrition because they do not atoes and jacket potatoes had in fact it is poor nutrition." eat enough or are given the been removed from menus in Patients were never weighed wrong diet, the Royal College central Manchester because of when they were first admitted of Nursing Congress was told the cost. Mrs Page said geri- to hospitals or during their atric hospitals were only given stay, and dietary histories £7.89 a head to feed their were generally only taken

> nutrition nurses to be appointed in all hospitals to She also claimed that under-

> nourished patients often suffered complications and wounds after surgery took longer to heal. "People are staying in hospital longer because they are not being fed correctly. Apart from the health implications this is

communication service between cars, commercial vehicles and civilian aircraft. The satellite is part of a £1,100 million research programme in advanced space communications planned by the space agency over the next

> Mr Douglas Hogg, Minister of State for Industry, said government spending on space research and dev-elopment would increase from next week from £140 million

The decision marks a significant change in the Government's attitude toward space research, modifying the policy adopted in July 1988, when the Government announced it was going to switch support away from telecom-

observation and space science. The traditional pattern of British participation in the European Space Agency's communications programme was to have ended last year with the launch of the world's largest telecommunication satellite, Olympus, built by British Aerospace.

a need for government support for new applications into advanced technologies that were unproven. Industry should then share in the cost of technology development.

Parent power 'may shut weaker private schools'

By Douglas Broom, Education Reporter

force behind the Government's education reforms, could push many independent schools into the hands of receivers, Professor John Rae, the former headmaster of Westminster School, said yesterday.

being unaccountable to par- have a choice of schools, ents, Mr Rae said they often used "massaged statistics" to impress parents of potential pupils with their excellent examination results.

He gave a warning that reforms to the state system designed to give parents greater choice and influence would present the private sector with its biggest chall-

enge for decades. In a lunchtime lecture at St Mary-le-Bow church in the City of London he said: "The independent schools have always said that they wanted competition from the maintained sector.

"Well now they are going to "When the middle class refugees begin to return to the

maintained schools the

weaker independent schools

state schools presented a more immediate threat because the Government had placed "accountability to the customers" at the heart of its reform package. The independent schools

have long argued that they are should publish detailed exam accountable because parents results, not the massaged said,

"But in practice independent schools are not as accountable to customers as the new maintained schools will have to be."

Mr Rae, speaking in his role as the Gresham Professor of Rhetoric at Gresham College, London, said that while the law would compel state schools to publish detailed examination results, many independent schools still refused

to do so. "The independent schools say they would deplore the publication of a league table but that is disingenuous.

They loved the league table of Oxbridge scholarships because it showed them doing

so much better that the maintained schools. "One reason why they fear a

PARENT power, the driving will go to the wall." Reformed league table is that in some parts of the country - West Sussex for example - maintained schools get far better exam results than the independent schools, despite the former's non-selective entry.

> "Independent schools statistics presented on speech days, and should be open about comparisons.

> "Parents are not stupid, they know how to interpret

In order to demonstrate their willingness to listen to parents, independent schools should follow the state sector and appoint them as governors, he said. Mr Rae condemned the

present practice of appointing friends of friends, undistinguished former pupils, titled men and women who look good on the notepaper and elderly folk with time on their hands" to be school governors. ·-

"Parent governors would be a welcome shot in the arm for the quality of many independent school governing bod-

receives damages for slur MR PAUL Channon ves-

Channon

terday accepted libel damages from the Daily Mail over a story on March 12 suggesting he went to Venice with a woman who was not his wife. The High Court was told that Mr Channon, former Secstary of State for Transport was accompanied throughout hy his wife.

 Mr Peter Rost, the Conservative MP, yesterday dropped his libel action against The Guardian after it said it had not intended to imply in an article that he had improperly tried to sell confidential information to a Danish firm.

Three killed

Three men were killed when an 8ft tyre on an earth excavator exploded yesterday at Dygor Gaylords, an equipment hire firm, of Giltbrook, Nottinghamshire.

Libel appeal

Mirror Group Newspapers is to appeal against last month's £30,000 High Court libel award to Miss Tessa Sanderson, the athlete. It is also challenging the libel verdict.

Husband jailed

A man who murdered his wife and daughter with a hammer was jailed for life yesterday by Leeds Crown Court, Sidney Sissons, of Sherburn in Elmet, North Yorkshire, had denied

Roving turtle

A turtle found on a beach in Cornwall is being sent back to the Caribbean by plane. The turde, weighing two pounds, is believed to have been washed ashore at Porthleven by the Gulf Stream.

Cleveland writs

Twenty High Court writs for damages involving 42 children have been issued against Dr Marietta Higgs and Dr Geoffrey Wyatt, the consultants at the centre of the Cleveland child abuse crisis.

Goat glasnost

Frozen embryos from a British herd of Saanen goats have been sent to Russia to improve the yield from dairy goats there.

Korean aid

A donation of £5,500 for the relief of flood victims along the North Wales coast has been received from the Red Cross in South Korea.

Hotel fined

The four-star Burlington Hotel in Eastbourne, East Sussex. was fined £12,500 by town magistrates yesterday after admitting its kitchens were cockroach infested.

Health groups attack mergers

By Our Social Services Correspondent

RECENT mergers between London health authorities have been undertaken without proper consultation and at the expense of consumer representation, health watchdog bodies claim today. A report from the Greater

London Association of Community Health Councils says the driving forces have been the interests of medical education and the need to rationalize acute hospital services to save money. "Mergers have gone ahead

without looking at the detailed impact of the services and without any strategic approach. They have reduced representation of local people and caused massive upheaval," the report says.

Proposals were discussed in "extraordinary cloak and dagger secrecy", it adds.

Two mergers have gone ahead: Paddington and Brent merged to become Parkside, and Fulham and Hammersmith merged with Victoria to create Riverside. Others are afoot with some regions considering consortia of purchasers.

"There is a grave danger there the new authorities self-governing trusts and purchasing bodies - will be even less representative and less responsive to local public opinion," Mr Robert Maxwell, secretary of the King's Fund College, says in the

report's foreword. Mergers could increase the bargaining powers of buyers if there was spare capacity. If increased bargaining might not reduce prices without reducing standards.

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Policy change on cirrhosis of liver

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

heavy drinking are now much more likely to be given a liver transplant under a new policy being adopted by doctors.

About 100 operations for alcoholic cirrhosis should now be performed in Britain each year, if patients give up drinking for six months beforehand, Dr Roger Williams, a leading specialist, said yesterday. Few such cases have been considered for liver trans-

plants because of a shortage of donor organs, and a dilemma over whether patients whose drinking habits caused their condition should be given the same priority as those with other reasons for liver failure. One concern has been that

some transplant recipients would return to alcohol, and risk damaging their new liver. recurrence of alcoholic liver. In the United States it was disease. common until recently for alcoholic cirrhosis patients to have to give up drinking for

two years before becoming eligible for the operation. However, medical attitudes began to change two years ago when Dr Tom Starzl, a Pittsburgh surgeon, decided to Pittsburgh hospital, four perform grafts solely on the months after her operation.

PATIENTS dying from cirr-basis of urgency of need. He hosis of the liver because of said the operations had been said the operations had been "the ultimate sobering experience" and that only one out of

> alcohol abuse. Yesterday, Dr Williams, director of the liver unit at King's College Hospital, London, said that 24 such patients, three of them women, have already had the transplants as part of a long-term study carried out jointly by King's and Addenbrooke's

> The patients, with an average age of 48, had been drinking alcohol for between five and 30 years, but 21 of them did not drink in the months before their operation. Four of the 24 had been taking alcohol since their transplant, and one had had a

The results are being presented at the British Society of Gastroenterology conference, opening today at Warwick. The world's first recipient of a combined heart, liver and kidney transplant, Mrs Cindy

41 patients had gone back to

Hospital, Cambridge.

Martin, aged 26, has died in a

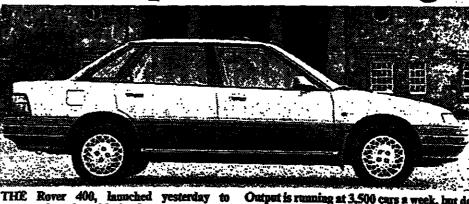
to £150 million a year.

munications into earth

Mr Hogg said future re-search and development in established areas of satellite communications for public telephones and direct broadcasting would continue to be left to operators and manufacturers.

He said there was, however,

Rover sports a new image



compete for sales with the German luxury car manufacturers BMW and Audi, which have traditionally dominated the market for small

The 400 is the saloon version of the successful 200 hatchback series, launched earlier this year, which has prompted a radical revision of production lines. Investment of £250 million has gone into the new Rovers.

Output is running at 3,500 cars a week, but dend has prompted Rover to aim for 4,600 weekly from the Longbridge plant in Birmingham. Prices are from £9,565 to £13,975 for a 16-valve GTi (Kevin Eason writes).

The Rover 200 and 400 cars are crucial to the success of the privatized business, now owned by British Aerospace with a 20 per cent share by Honda, which hopes to establish a place as a key European manufacturer.

As the owners of the old premises

were pressing for their building

back, there was by then no real

alternative to the expensive New

Buckingham Court project, the

The need for an urgent decision also led to the PSA relying on the

developers' own quantity surveyors

the PSA, after its privatization, to heed the lessons of 1 Palace Street

and, equally, for government

The NAO urges the successors to

NAO related.

£15.6m for energy HQ was three times estimated cost

By Sheila Gana Political Reporter

WORK on new London headquarters for the Department of Energy cost £15.6 million, almost three times the original estimate, the National Audit Office (NAO) disclosed yesterday.

In addition its report criticized the decision taken, when Mr Peter Walker was Secretary of State for Energy, to insist on new offices no more than 14 miles from As Secretary of State for Wales,

Mr Walker has since become one of

the Cabinet's keenest advocates of

relocation out of Whitehall, How-

ever, the NAO found no thorough

review was ordered in 1984 to find out if the Department of Energy needed to accommodate the 860 headquarters staff in one building near the Commons.

The report goes to the Commons public accounts committee, which will call officials on April 30 to give evidence on its findings.

The 25-year lease on a block of offices in New Buckingham Court, now renamed 1 Palace Street, Victoria, is costing £4.25 million a year, with rent rises expected every five years. The buildings, some of them listed, needed complete renovation before the civil servants could move in last summer.

The NAO said the Property

Services Agency, which runs the

Government's estate, estimated in 1986 that the repair works would cost £5.6 million. No allowance was made for inflation. Over three years the costs rose from £30 a square foot to £84 a square foot. It concluded that the key reasons

for the increases were:

•£3.6 million in penalties to the developer to compensate for delays and disruption; ●£2.3 million to meet inflation •£1.4 million to meet developer's VAT liability;

● £2.6 million for design refinements. It said: "In securing the occupational works for the Department of

with adequate arrangements for monitoring and controlling costs." The lease on the former headquarters, Thames House South, Millbank, ran out in 1982 but the department evoked the 1954 Land-

by the fact that their agreement with

the developer did not provide them

lord and Tenant Act and stayed. The NAO said that in July 1984, after the Department of Energy had formally advised the PSA of its broad requirements, the PSA said it foresaw difficulties in obtaining a single building large enough to locate the department's headquarters staff in the immediate vicinity of Parliament.

The PSA then embarked on a four-year search for new premises. PSA and Department of Energy: new headquarters building for the depart-ment, National Audit Office report (Stationery Office, £3.80).

departments to take more care when managing their office needs.

LOCAL authorities will be London Authorities, cautable to spend £38.7 million iously welcomed the extra over the next financial year to encourage council tenants to leave their homes and buy on the private property market, Mr Christopher Chope, Under Secretary of State at the Department of the Environment, announced yesterday.

The Government believes the scheme will release 2,000 homes for needy families and has accepted bids from 73 local councils to take part. In London and the South-east, where the housing shortage is particularly acute, 57 councils will get £22 million in extra government finance.

Cash incentives will vary between boroughs, from £5,000 in Peterborough to £28,000 in Redbridge, north-east London. Most London councils are offering between £13,000 and £20,000. Tenants in Exeter, Stafford and Hambleton, on Humberside, can claim up to £10,000. The Treasury has asked that the highest rates should be restricted to tenants of at least

five years' standing. Yesterday's announcement formalized 44 existing many people don't want to schemes, many of which awarded the "portable discounts" on a sliding scale according to the type of council of our stock, but we operate a coll property. cil property released. The maximum payment so far has been £13,000.

Mr Will Tuckley, housing officer for the Association of have just left their three-bed-

iously welcomed the extra funding, part of a £112 million package awarded to local authorities to ease homelessness.

discounts have made some impact, however marginal, so we have to be pragmatic and accept the scheme," Mr Tuckley said. "Our concern is that it simply picks out wealthier tenants who would have moved anyway.

According to Mr Ken Scott, housing sales manager for Bromley council, Kent, a pioneer of the scheme, "portable discounts" are especially popular with tenants approaching retirement and planning to move to a cheaper area. Since 1986 Bromley has made cent of whom left the borough.

The "portable discounts" offered by Bromley last year averaged £10,460, compared with an average of £29,500, or 56 per cent of the property value, offered to tenants under the Government's "right-to-

buy" legislation.
"Right-to-buy discounts are

tenants to a property just be-John and Wendy Baugham

policy of refusing to transfer

Ramsden estate in Orpington, Kent, for a three-bedroomed former council house nearby, orities to ease homelessness. which they are buying for "Research indicates that the £80,000. Their £11,000 portable discount from Bromley council paid the deposit on their new property and covered the cost of moving.

Mrs Baugham, aged 23, admitted that they would have been given an even bigger discount on the maisonette had they stayed in it under the "right-to-buy" scheme. How-ever, the disadvantages of the first-floor property for a growing family with two children outweighed purely financial considerations.

She said: "There's no way a young couple in our position grants to 336 tenants, 66 per - could ever have saved enough to buy our own home. The scheme has enabled us to do just that."

 Broadland District Council Norfolk, has been given the go-ahead by the Government to sell off its entire stock of 3,700 houses worth £26 mil-lion to the private Wherry Housing Association.
Mr David Hastings, chair

man of the Conservativecontrolled council, said that the sell-off would mean lower We have sold 40 per cent rent increases and faster maintenance

> Wherry Housing Associ ation plans to build or buy 200 new homes every year by the end of its first five years in

Blake's images of Monroe



Peter Blake the artist with one of the works at his exhibition "In Homage to

Civil servants may present less complex court cases

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

CIVIL servants in the Crown would be strongly opposed by Prosecution Service would be the First Division Associcases in the magistrates' court

The proposals, which would have to be endorsed by the Director of Public Prosecutions and the Attorney General if adopted as policy, would remove much of the routine work from over-worked CPS lawyers.

Instead, suitably trained lay presenters would take on simple guilty pleas for non-imprisonable summary offences, such as road trafffic offences and others such as careless or inconsiderate driv-

ing or soliciting.
The proposals, which would require primary legislation, coincide with recommendations by the Lord Chancellor's Department that court officials be allowed to take on some work done by junior

presenters, but it will suggest how - if the decision to go ahead is taken - it could be done in practice.

tages of using lay presenters for some routine court cases.

He told the Home Affairs Committee investigating the CPS that it might not be necessary to have lawyers doing "run-of-the-mill simple pleas" although such a change would have to be approached 'with great care".

Sir Patrick said he had an open mind". Asked if lawis sensibly explained and sentine, repetitive work. sibly limited, then sensible members of the legal pro-fession will accept it. No one cers in the CPS or higher wants to see unnecessary use of trained lawyers, and unnecessary expenditure."

able to take on from lawyers ation, the union representing the task of presenting simple Government lawyers. Yesterday Miss Robyn Dasey, under proposals being drawn up by an internal CPS working party.

assistant general secretary, said: "Lay presenters will not professionally and competently present a case in the courts, which is the public face of the CPS."

If the slightest technical or other problem arose, the lay presenter would then be placed in the position of having to decide if the case should proceed or not, she added. Such decisions should be taken by lawyers.

"Very often a case seems simple · it may be someone charged with driving without a licence — and then they turn up with a licence. What would the lay presenter do then?"

The association success fully took the DPP to court 18 months ago over the use of non-lawyers to screen cases to see if they should proceed to trial. It was ruled that under judges, including – in effect – granting "quickie" divorces.

The CPS report being drafted is not expected to come down one way or the other on the use of lay present-

within some quarters of the CPS that this would create no new precedent. Law clerks already handle bail applica-Last week Sir Patrick tions, and the Department of Mayhew, QC, the Attorney Transport and Customs and General, indicated the advancases in court.

Before the CPS was set up, the police - who are also "lay prosecuted regularly in the courts, it is argued. The working party drafting

the report was set up in the wake of the report on the government legal service by Sir Robert Andrew. That pointed out that lawvers were a scarce resource

yers would not object to such a and recommended removing change, he said: "If the change from them much of the rou-The working party is likely

executive officers are the appropriate level of staff to be trained for the work of Any such move, however, presenting simple court cases.

Public wants more say in planning

By Charles Knevitt, Architectural Correspond

more say in the design and uses of building development, while more than two out of three think that people who live and work in an area should play the most important role in planning decisions, a poll conducted by MORI says.

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Trees and gardens, play-grounds and sporting facilities were the three most popular features in any new developments of the major squares and spaces in cities.

FOUR out of five people want 2,055 people last month, was Paternoster, the Prince was 4 television series Signals, which tonight deals with the issue of public participation in relation to the future of Pater-

> The Prince of Wales has campaigned for almost two years on the need for people to have a say about the Paternoster redevelopment plans. But when asked who should

commissioned by the Channel only mentioned by 12 per cent, as against 68 per cent for people who live or work there, 47 per cent for the public, and 42 per cent for councils. To noster Square, next to St the same question, 26 per cent Paul's Cathedral. said town planners, 18 per cent said the Government. and 17 per cent said architects.

Mr Roger Graef, producer of the programme, said: "The current planning system is clearly not working. There is play the most important role serious, popular demand for in decisions about the uses of public participation which The poll, conducted among leading urban sites, such as challenges the status quo."

The public thought it should have more influence over the look of new buildings (80 per cent); the uses of new urban spaces (78 per cent); and the uses of new buildings (74 per cent).

 Almost a half of residents in the Liberal-controlled London borough of Tower Hamlets are either dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with their council, according to a MORI survey.

All seven neighbourhoods in the borough had now been asked to prepare an "action plan", a spokesman said.

Study of common weed costs £14m

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

SCIENTISTS are to spend £14 Professor William Stewart, million of government re- deputy chairman of the Agrisearch funds on a three-year cultural and Food Research Arabidopsis thaliana, known to gardeners as thale cress and regarded by them as a weed.

The cress is related to oil seed rape, a crop now worth £700 million a year to Britain. There is a constant search to improve varieties and to years on which the research guard against disease or muta-

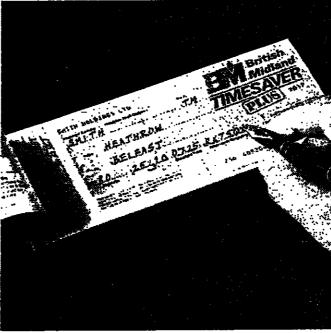
study of a small plant called Council, said the weed was an ideal agent for the study of the intimate genetics of plant biology. One advantage was that, like all weeds, it reproduced very rapidly. The research is among the

priorities for the next five council will be spending over tions that might affect it. £130 million a year.

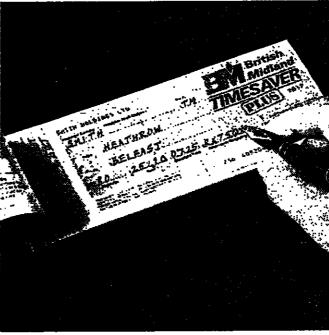
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'Cashable' credits for training youngsters

A TRAINING initiative in the form of credits for young people was outlined to MPs by Mr Michael Howard. Secretary of State for Employers, and which met approved standards.

Much of the overall funding

He said credits would be issued to young people who would be able to present them either to an employer or to a specialist provider of training. A monetary value would be shown on the face of the credit and that could be supplemented by the employer or the body issuing the credit.

He believed that credits were potentially an exciting means of motivating young people to

The initiative marked an important departure in government policy for training young people. "The initiative has the potential to revolutionize atti-

There had been widespread interest in training credits. The CBI had proposed local pilot

However, credits were un-tested. The Government had decided therefore to invite Training and Enterprise Councils (TECs) and local enterprise companies to run pilot schemes, coming into effect in April next

A prospectus was being issued today inviting local education authorities to submit bids for the Government's proposals. The aim was to select 10 schemes in areas covering up to 10 per cent of the national total of 16 and 17-year-olds leaving

Much of the overall funding Much of the overall funding would come from planned provision for Youth Training. The Government was making available a further £12 million in 1991-92 from its present spending plans, rising to £25 million the next year.

That would bring the total estimated resources available to

estimated resources available to the Training and Enterprise Councils running pilot credit schemes to £115 million by

cash to make it a reality.

Mr Howard said that the initiative would provide young people with a genuine entitlement to training. Employers contributions to training of young people had increased by a factor of six in the past four years and the Government expected it to increase again.

of the Select Committee on Employment, said that this was

Mr Tony Blair, chief Oppo-sition spokesman on employ-ment, said that Britain had a huge training gap. The question was whether this initiative would result in genuine high quality training supported with cash to make it a reality.

pected it to increase again. Mr Rouald Leighton (New-ham North East, Lab), chairman

in principle the germ of a very good idea, but it might wither from underfunding.

Mr Howard said that he was confident that the scheme would



Mrs Sylvia Heal, Labour's victor in the Mid-Staffordshire by-election, being greeted at the Commons yesterday by Mr Neil Kinnock. She was accompanied by her son, Gareth, aged 16 (left), her mother, Ruby, and her daughter, Joanne, aged 19

Parkinson drops London road plans

TRANSPORT

in four particular areas. During con-

in four particular areas. During con-sultation on them, there had been strong support for improvements to public transport; widespread opposition to most of the major new road schemes; support for proposals to slow traffic in residential areas, both to improve safety and deter rat-running; and there had been general recognition of the need for better traffic management, but concern

better traffic management, but concern about the level of traffic and a wish to

see higher priority for buses, cyclists and pedestrians.

They were evaluating urgently with London Regional Transport (LRT) and British Rail the proposed Chelsea-Hackney Underground line and East-

West cross-rail. He expected to authorize a Bill for one of them in

LABOUR MPs cheered when Mr Cecil Parkinson, Secretary of State for Trans-port, announced that he had decided not to proceed with big London mad schemes recommended by consultants that had provoked much opposition.

The Department of Transport, he said, would push on with limited improvements along the South Circular and, though the Archway road scheme and a tunnel under Parkland Walk, north London, were ruled out, there would be improvements at Archway roundabout and Highbury Corner. The department would work with the boroughs to develop a network for longer-distance cycling in London.

He would go ahead with appointing a traffic director and designating a priority route system of red routes for efficient movement of traffic, particularly buses. The consultants' studies had been intended to see what more could be done

November. London Regional Transport was appraising an extension of the Docklands Light Railway to Lewisham in south-east London and of the East London Line north to Dalston and

London. Line north to Dalston and Highbury and south to East Dulwich. He had asked the chairman of LRT to consider further the case for extending the Northern Line from Kennington to Streatham and Crystal Palace and for a further extension of the East London Line to Balham.

There was to be consultation on the level of penalties for illegal parking, and a pilot scheme along the A1 from Highgate to the Angel and round the inner ring road to Aldgate and the A13, Commercial Road.

A new system of permitted parking controls, with a review of yellow lines, would give local authorities a much increased role.

spokesman on transport, said that the statement was a victory for London Labour boroughs; for the London Labour Party (Conservative laughter) and, above all, for the people of London.

Mr Parkinson's climbdown would cause a sense of victory throughout London. For six years, thousands of homes had been blighted.

"The Government has been forced to see common sense just before the May local elections."

In blind electoral panic, Mr Parkinson had dropped unpopular plans that could have made the transport crisis worse but had failed to adopt plans that could have made it better.

He should reconsider an elected transport body for London.
Mr Parkinson said it was difficult to climb down when one had not climbed up. "They were never our proposals, but consultants'."

Lawson plea on **ERM** is rejected

THE Prime Minister came under renewed pressure at question time over Britain's commitment to joining the exchangement mechanism of the European Monetary System.

Mrs Thatcher rejected the Commitment of the Comm

suggestion made in the Com-mons on Monday by Mr Nigel Lawson, the former Chancellor, that Britain's pace was too leisurely, and insisted that the Madrid conditions set at the Madrid summit last year had still not been met.

Mr Hugh Dykes (Harrow East, C) asked her to confirm that the last remaining obstacle to early British entry was the present temporarily high rate of inflation.

Mrs Thatcher: Mr Dykes is not right, in view of the state-ment at Madrid and what the Chancellor said. "It is absolutely vital that we have free movement of capital throughout the Community. That is not yet satisfied. We must get the rate of inflation down and have proper competition throughout the

Community."

Mr Neil Kinneck, Leader of the Opposition: Is it not evident from her reply that she has absolutely no serious intention of joining the ERM for as long as she survives?

Mrs Thatcheir: No, not in the least. We stand by the statement we made in Madrid. I was not able to join the mechanism during my first decade, but I hope to during my second.

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Mr Kinnock: Does she not agree with the view express agree with the view expressed by her former Chancellor last night that Britain's non-membership is an exposed flank. As a result last night she was savaged by a live scapegoat (laughter).

Mrs Thatcher: The former Chancellor would be the first to agree on the need to get inflation down. That is top priority.

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Teachers' strike is criticized

Mr John MacGregor, Sec-retary of State for Education, and Mrs Angela Rumbold, Minister of State, condemned the proposed one-day strike by the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women

Asked during Commons questions about the action, Mr MacGregor said that he much deplored the attitude iken by a small minority of teachers. It was not only damaging for the children, but also damaging to the teaching profession. He was grateful to the other unions for taking a respon-

sible attitude. Mrs Rumbold said they she was deeply disappointed by the decision.

More opt-out schools

Mr John MacGregor, Sec-retary of State for Education, announced that he had approved 34 of 46 proposals put to him to give schools grant maintained status.

Maintained status, he said, allowed schools to increase spending and to have much more flexibility. They were highly popular with parents who sought to send their children to such

5,230 killed on roads

The number of people killed on the roads last year was 5,230, Mr Robert Atkins, Under Secretary of State for Transport, said in a written reply. That com-pared with 5.052 during the previous year and 6.010 in 1980.

Mr Atkins said that the department had set itself a target of reducing the death toll by one third by 2000.

Defence move

Some of the Ministry of Defence's procurement executive is to be moved to Keynsham, Bristol, in 1993, Mr Michael Neubert, Under Secretary of State for Defence Procurement, said in a Commons written reply.

Seven ships

Tenders have been invited today for up to seven Sandown minchunters for the Royal Navy, Mr Michael Neabert, Under Secretary of State for Defence Procurement, said in a Commons

Lithuania plea

The situation in Lithuania called for restraint by both Lithuania and the Soviet Union, the Prime Minister said during questions.

Parliament today Commons (2.30): Questions: Scotland. Timetable motion on Social Security Bill and first day of report Lords (2.30): Debates on the community charge, on the House of Fraser report. and on council house rents.

Labour protests at guillotine

THE Government was accused welcomed. The third could not of trying to prevent defections by its own backbench MPs when Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the House, announced that debate on report stage of the Social Security Bill tomorrow would

night it had tabled four new sponse from an even more clauses and 37 amendments. It autocratic Government. was preventing Labour MPs from moving their own.

He also accused the Government of deliberately delaying the moment when Mrs Sylvia Heal, the Labour victor of the Mid-Staffordshire by-election, was presented to the House. "Since even the Prime Min-

ister recognized that the elec-torate of Mid-Staffordshire was sending her a message, why has the Government deliberately delayed the keeper of that message for over one-and-a-half hours by putting on three statements?"

Sir Geoffrey said that the timetable motion would be followed by the Bill's remaining stages. Third reading would be on April 3. The timetable motion was

designed to give more time than would have been available continuing with our calm conduct of government business, making statements today." The first two statements had beem

THE Government is considering its position in relation to

the amendments passed by the House of Lords on the Bill

bringing in student loans, Mr Robert Jackson, Under Sec-retary of State, Education and

Science, said during question

The Government had been

defeated in the Lords late on Monday night by 47 votes on an Opposition amendment to the Education (Student Loans) Bill

that would allow students receiving loans to receive hous-

ing benefit. The amendment was carried by 98 votes to 51.

During the last day of the report stage of the Bill in the Lords, Lord Peston, Opposition spokesman on education, said: I

am not happy with the introduc-tion of a financing system. If students do not realize that they are chiefly to study and we do not see grants to support them.

we are in a very difficult position.

Earl Russell (Lib Dem) said that he did not understand why

the Government was so keen to take students out of the social security system. Student sup-port should come from educa-tional sources, but the proper

way to achieve that laudable

objective was to pay students

above maintenance payments

students should be provided through the educational system according to educational criter-

time in the Commons.

have been made tomorrow. In due course, Mrs Heal would begin her brief stay in the

Mr Simon Hughes (Southwark and Bermondsey, Lib Dem) said that the timetable Dr John Cunningham, shadow Leader of the House, said that the Government was acting the the Government was acting the carve out (time) from Conservative MPs. They had given the to prevent yet more embarrass-ing defections and votes by its own backbenchers. Only last an even more autocratic re-

Sir Geoffrey said that there was no foundation for that allegation. The report stage of the Bill was required to deal with 20 new clauses tabled at a late stage by the Opposition against a background of a threat

to run the proceedings through-out the night.

Mr Andrew Mackay (Berk-shire East, C) said that many would consider the timetable motion a sensible way of

proceeding.
Mr Robert Clay (Sunderland North, Lab) said that the Government wanted to avoid discussion of a new clause, supported by Labour and Conservative MPs, to provide compensation for British nuclear test veterans, who were suffering from various cancers.

The Government had fili-bustered a private member's Bill Dr Cunningham was wrong to allege deliberate delay. "We are continuing with our color."

Sir Geoffrey said that there was no foundation for that.

STUDENT FINANCE

security for the purpose because that had never been intended to help students. There were administration problems and it

generated costs out of all

proportion.
"The Government has taken

enormous care to see that the people we are seeking to exclude from housing benefit are catered for in other ways and that is taken care of."

A second amendment moved by Lord Peston, that no student

attending a course of super-vision in connection with a

postgraduate degree who was not in reciept of a loan should be ineligible for housing benefit,

was agreed without a division.

suffered a one-vote defeat when Earl Russell successfully moved

an amendment allowing regula-

Early today, the position of students under 18 was brought

into line with those over 18

when a government amendment

was agreed.

Despite protests from Oppo-

The Earl of Caithness said

carried by 57 votes to 56.

evels.

Sition peers that they had not
The amendment was con- had time to scrutinize the

cerned only with housing bene-fit, the most important social amendment, they did not force a vote.

The Earl of Caithness, for the that the amendment, correcting

Government, said that it befieved that benefit support for
students should be provided
through the educational system
was merely a technical one

according to educational criteria. It opposed the use of social the legal position.

Earlier, the Government had

The Earl of Caithness said that the proposal would make no difference to the Bill. It was

Decision delayed

on loan defeats

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SEYCHELLES - SHAME OF BRITAIN **OPEN LETTER**

TO THE RT. HONOURABLE MARGARET THATCHER M.P. PRIME MINISTER

> FROM FORMER PRESIDENT JAMES R. MANCHAM K.B.E.

Dear Prime Minister.

Once upon a time, not long ago, Grenada, The Falklands, and the Seychelles were far away islands of the same Empire in forgotten seas. In 1982, just to defend a point of principle you commandeered an armada to fight the Argentinians in the Falkland Islands. Some months later your friend, President Reagan saw it fit and proper to send American troops to Grenada on the grounds that the USA could not tolerate Marxist turmoil within her hemisphere. It did not occur to President Reagan that the Seychelles became a defacto part of his hemisphere the day the U.S. built an Air Force Tracking Station on Mahe, and a modern Naval Base next door in Diego Garcia.

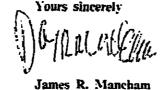
Madam Prime Minister, despite your international reputation as a champion of democratic causes we are yet to hear a pronouncement from you about the situation in Seychelles. Yet there are compelling reasons why the British Government should take the initiative openly, loudly and unequivocably for the restoration of multiparty democracy in Seychelles:-

- Seychelles became British through conquest. Previously she had been French territory, just like the island of La Reunion. Therefore, if Britain had not conquered the islands the people of Seychelles would have today enjoyed the same benefits and privileges of belonging to Europe of the Common Market as their cousins in La Reunion.
- In the dark hours of the Second World War, Seychelles contributed significantly in the fight for King and Country with hundreds dying in Egypt and Libya.
- The British Government was unscrupulous in the manner she pushed the Seycheliois people away from a policy of integrations towards unwanted Independence.
- It was a fraud for the British Government to allow the U.S. to build a satellite tracking station on Mahe without openly and honestly disclosing to the people of Seychelles that it was a station to spy on what Soviet satellites are doing, and to reposition American surveillance satellites over strategic areas. This means that in the event of war, our small and principal island of Mahe would become a prime target for destruction.
- Britain must recognise that the initial dismembering of our archipelago by the creation of the British Indian Ocean Territory and her subsequent decision to allow the U.S.A. to build an ultra-modern naval base on the nearby island of Diego Garcia, brought the Seychelles into the focal point of big power politics and destabilised our island society.
- That in the light of the fact that she had by her actions turned our islands into strategic territories, it was wrong for Britain to have refused us a treaty of defence. Such a treaty was agreed with Kenya, Tanzania, Mauritius and others at the time of their independence, and as a matter of fact one was signed with oil rich Brunei subsequent to Seychelles
- As the British Government was an integral party to the Seychelles constitution which acquired legal effect through a British Act of Parliament, it follows by implication that Britain had a duty to see that this constitution was respected.
- It was wrong for Britain to have recognised the Government of France Albert Rene when she did because at that time the country was under Tanzanian military occupation.
- Britain has absorbed most of the political refugees fleeing from Seychelles. As these people are not happy in their actual social environment. Britain has a duty to initiate discussions to create the political climate in Seychelles conducive to their return home. At the time of the coup, Seychelles was an active member of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association. The
- Scychelles branch became defunct by virtue of Rene abolishing the democratically constituted Parliament. The United Kingdom branch of this organisation, which was created primarily to promote and defend democratic ideals and principles should initiate an all-party enquiry or at anyrate constitute a committee aimed at the earliest restoration of parliamentary government in Seychelles.

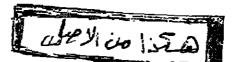
It is not surprising that at this important juncture in world history when the clamour is for multiparty democracy that the Seychellois people should rightfully aspire to a return of democracy in their islands.

I was happy last week to hear you, on the occasion of the visit of President Havel of Czechoslovakia, declare - "I think each of us still feels some shame over that (1938 Munich) Agreement and we still feel unease that the Western world watched as the Prague spring of 1968 was crushed by Soviet tanks."

The plight of the Seychellois people may not offer an entirely parallel case to that of the Czechoslovakian people, but I do know thousands of Britons who are ashamed of the role Britain has played and continues to play by ignoring the problem of Seychelles and expect you as a champion of democracy to take some initiatives.



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Legality of Soviet military actions in Vilnius challenged

President Gorbachov and other senior Soviet officials have emphasized their desire to avoid the use of military force in Lithuania and act within the Constitution and the framework of the newly proclaimed "law-governed" state.

With Soviet troops and military vehicles appearing gradually to be taking over key buildings in the Lithuanian capital, Vilnius, and its second city, Kaunas, however, questions are being raised about the legality of Soviet action.

The most blatant action by the Soviet military was the forcible removal of army deserters from their place of refuge early yesterday morning. This, however - the recovery of self-confessed deserters by the military authorities - is probably the one area where condemnation has least legal foundation.

Far more contentious must be the dropping of leaflets from military heli-

exhorting people to attend a rally organized by the pro-Moscow Yedinstvo movement. By what authority were Soviet military vehicles used in support of what is a minority group hostile to Lithuania's newly elected parliament or its new leaders? Does the Soviet Constitution, even in its present, unrevised form, or Soviet law, provide for the Army to be used in a sectional interest, or is their use merely an acknowledgement that when Moscow deems the integrity of the state to be at risk it will use whichever group or groups assist its cause?

The takeover of Communist Party buildings by paratroops offers another contentious legal case. All the buildings so far occupied were used until the end of last year by the Lithuanian Communist Party, which was subordinate to the Soviet Communist Party. After the Lithuanian party's break with Moscow, the right to use the buildings became a

arive strengths of the breakaway party and the pro-Moscow rump left little doubt about which had the greater need of the space.

There appears to have been no attempt by the pro-Moscow party to contest the use of the buildings after the split occurred, nor was there any immediate attempt to challenge the decision of the breakaway party to reallocate some of the space to educational and public institutions - until the declaration of independence and the formation of the new government.

Now, Moscow is claiming that the party buildings all belong to the Soviet Communist Party, and so should be returned to the pro-Moscow party. This is the apparent justification for the occupation of the buildings by Soviet troops. Again, the questions arise: why could not the right to use the buildings have been tested in the courts - if ary in the Soviet Supreme Court

rather than the republic court? Why was and legality". There are two defects in the Soviet Army used so soon to this argument. The first is the actual the Soviet Army used so soon to "protect" buildings whose legal use was

The military support for Yedinstvo and the military takeover of party buildings both cast doubt on the separation of powers which the development of a law-governed state is supposed to foster. The Soviet Army has been used in support of a pro-Russian minority organization with no constitutional status. It has also been used in the interests of the Soviet Communist Party.

Soviet officials, when challenged on these points, claim that because the Lithuanian parliament's original declaration of independence was illegal, all actions that have taken place since then (the forming of a new government, its recruitment of a national guard, its law on anti-state - that is, anti-Lithuanian — activity) have also been illegal. According to this view, the troops are being used merely to restore "order

legality of the independence declaration. The Soviet Constitution has long guaranteed the right of secession, but until the recent Bill on secession was drafted after Lithuania's declaration - there was

no legal mechanism for secession. Moscow argues that Lithuania should have waited for the promised legal mechanism and taken this "constitutional" route. Given, however, that the right to secode was constitutionally guaranteed, that no legal mechanism was in existence when Lithuania declared independence and that independence was declared not by a single Lithuanian leader, but by a democratically elected parliament, the constitutionality of Moscow's position must be in doubt.

The other defect relates to the use of Soviet military personnel without the explicit approval of parliament, government or either Communist Party in Lithuania. This appears to be another

between old and new legal norms. demonstrating the ineffectiveness of both. The new-style Soviet Executive President has the right to declare martial law anywhere in the Soviet Union. He also has the right, hedged about with the need for approval from the republic authorities or the federal Supreme Soviet, to declare a state of emergency and send in troops.

The problem with both these options is that legislation defining martial law and a state of emergency has not yet been passed by the Supreme Soviet and the President's powers are supposed to be contained in that law.

So far, President Gorbachov has not declared either martial law or a state of emergency in Lithuania. None the less. several senior Soviet commanders are in the republic and troops are being used. albeit for limited objectives. There must therefore be a question about the legal basis on which they are operating.

Summit in balance as Moscow rejects US 'interference'

From Mary Dejevsky, Moscow

WARNINGS yesterday from the United States of the impact on Soviet-US relations of the use of force in Lithuania was not well-received in Moscow.

Addressing journalists yes-terday, the chief Foreign Ministry spokesman, Mr Gennadi Gerasimov, accused the United States of interfering in Soviet internal affairs and possibly "detonating" an already explosive situation.

Mr Gerasimov's criticism showed the extent to which the superpower relationship has been - and could still be affected by what happens in

US diplomats in Moscow are already saying that the be jeopardized by develop-except in so far as Washington ments in Lithuania. But the has stated its intention of not postponement or even cancel-lation of the meeting could be making life any more difficult for President Gorbachov than potentially as damaging for it already is. Despite the President Gorbachov as al- Soviet leadership's insistence most any of the other sanc-tions threatened by Wash-mit were fully on course, there ington - in arms control, trade and scientific and tech- be proceeding smoothly.

Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, has also postponed a visit to Japan which was expected to prepare President Gorbachov's longawaited Tokyo visit.

The summit, however, never seemed in doubt even though the rescheduled Soviet Communist Party congress would fall less than a month later. Some even argued that the proximity of the summit and the congress was deliberate - to enable President Gorbachov to use his preeminence abroad to consolidate his position in the Communist Party at home.

Whether the summit schedule was ever so firm for the US planned June summit could side, however, is not certain, except in so far as Washington were signs that all might not

A date for the summit was Until the last week, the supposed to have been dis-Washington summit was the cussed by Mr Shevardnadze one foreign appointment and the US Secretary of State, President Gorbachov seemed Mr James Baker, when they determined to keep. In the met during the Namibian past month, Moscow has post- independence celebrations poned several visits by foreign last week. But no announceleaders, including the first ment was made and the visit to the Soviet Union in 18 meeting was reported only years by an Egyptian leader, fleetingly in the Soviet media. and a visit by the Irish Prime The meeting between Senator

chairman of the EC. The dent Gorbachov passed similarly, without any summit an-nouncement. Mr Shevardnadze is expected to visit Washington next month, but that will be less than eight reeks before the summit.

Another sign of uncertainty in Soviet-US relations has been the spate of unofficial US visitors received by Mr Gorbachov in the past 10 days, despite the pressure of domestic events. Such private visitors - who may on occasion be used as surrogates for direct, bilateral contact at state or diplomatic level included retired Admiral John Crowe, two award-winning schoolteachers (whose meeting dominated the front-page of Pravda on Saturday), and Senator Kennedy.

A further hint of problems has emanated from the arms talks currently under way in Vienna, which - the Soviet side hopes - will produce an agreement on conventional force reductions in time for signature in Washington. The Soviet negotiator, Mr Oleg Grinevsky, has recently complained about the slow pace of negotiations and blaming the West.

The problem Gorbachov now is that all the diplomatic progress he hoped would be consolidated at Washington, as well as the image-enhancement bestowed by the summit itself, has been placed in doubt by the Lithuanian unrest.



A group of Lithuanian deserters from the Soviet Army in Vilnius signing up for service in their breakaway republic's proposed border guard

Troubleshooter will determine Kremlin moves

By Michael Evans, Defence Correspondent

taken by Soviet forces in delicate balancing act by President Gorbachov, who is trying to assert his authority without damaging relations with the West and yet satisfy the demands of the General Staff, now intensely worried about the implications for national security.

The key man on the ground in Lithuania is General Valentin Varennikov, the Deputy Minister of Defence and Commander-in-Chief of the Soviet ground forces. This highly experienced officer, aged 67 - not one of the new generation of commanders appointed by Mr Gorbachov - is in Lithuania to assess the

military requirements for controlling or suppressing the fight for independence. His report will no doubt now be sitting on the desk of General Mikhail Moiseyev, the Chief of the General Staff.

General Varennikov is an aristocratic-looking officer, born from princely Caucasian stock, who already has a wealth of operational experience behind him. He served in Kabul as a special adviser to the General Staff from 1985 until the Soviet troops left Afghanistan in 1989. His role there, as it is now, was to be a roving troubleshooter. It is a job for which he is apparently well suited.

He also fought in the Second World War, commanded Soviet "shock troops" in East Germany and climbed the career ladder during the Khrushchev and Brezhnev eras. He was once First Deputy of the General Staff. As soon as he They are the home of vital returned from Kabul he was appointed to his present post of Commander of the Soviet

When Mr Gorbachov announced in May, 1985 that he naval brigades are stationed intended to promote younger men into the top military posts, he also acknowledged that older, experienced officers would still be needed. General Varennikov was one of those veteran commanders who have flourished under the trouble. Gorbachov regime.

ground forces.

"Varennikov has very sharp eyes," said Mr Richard Woff, an authority on the Soviet high command. "Any military action taken in Lithuania will be based on his assessment on the ground."
One of General Varen-

nikov's predecessors as Commander-in-Chief of ground forces was General Igor Pavlovsky, the man who was in operational charge of the invasion of Czechoslovakia in

THE tough military action From the Soviet General Staff's point of view, the Lithuania has underlined the Lithuanian crisis presents a dilemma. The Baltic states are an integral part of the strategic command and control system. There is a lot of sophisticated hardware in the region, including ballistic missile early warning stations, air defence facilities and theatre

nuclear weapon sites, all heavily guarded by the Army. If Lithuania and the other states broke away, there would be an enormous vacuum in the command network. Even though there is renewed detente with the West, the General Staff would be concerned about any breach in the traditional command and control system.

This is where the danger partly lies. The General Staff remains loval to Mr Gorbachov. He is their Commander-in-Chief and he has to make the decisions. Even though they may complain at times at some of the measures he has introduced for chang-ing the structure of the armed forces, there is no question, according to many Western experts, of the Army taking

the matter into its own hands. Nevertheless, while Mr Gorbachov is searching for a solution to the crisis, one that grants Lithuania and other Baltic states sovereignty but guarantees the Soviet Union's security interests, the General Staff appears to be looking for a pretext to push things to a head because it is worried about the whole periphery of the Soviet empire collapsing.

The Baltic states are part of imperial the Western Soviet Forces. Romanov. naval bases for the Baltic Fleet, which operates off Estonia, Lithuania and Latvia, the main facility being at Tallinn in Estonia. Highly effective there and, if there was an outbreak of violence in Lithuania, they could be used

in coastal operations. There must be a real danger that the Army might use agents provocateurs to stir up

If there can be said to be lawlessness in the streets, if Lithuanians are reported to be throwing stones at Soviet troops, that would be the pretext for moving in. Mr Gorbachov has already

There are a number of other key military figures in the region whose advice and possible operational assistance will play a part in the General

made it clear that force could

Parliament fiddles with detail as the fuse burns

From Anatol Lieven, Vilnius

able sofas.

AS THE time approached loyalists outside the parliament in Vilnius, the atmosphere inside was more and more that of people besieged - though for the moment at least their fears have proved unjustified.

stitutions - better him than me - described this parliament to me recently as "the most pleasant Supreme Soviet in the USSR" which, allowing for some ambiguity over whether it still is in fact situated in the USSR, is no doubt correct.

A connoisseur of such in-

Given the threats to the parliament's continued existence, it seems like a good idea to set on record a picture which Europe may not see again. The attempt by this body, dominated by intellectuals and lawyers, visibly trying to free their own minds as well as their country of the vestiges of Communism, is not unique in Eastern Europe these days - but the surrounding circumstances certainly

The building itself, in keeping with Vilnius's architectural tradition, is not undistinguished, with columns across the front of a large forecourt. Its yellowish colour and tinted windows, however, clash horribly with the neoclassical surroundings. Just across the river, and dominat-ing the building — in an unfortunate bit of symbolism - is the splendid bulbous Russian Orthodox Church of

St George, built in 1913 as a about. Whether it understands monument to the 300th the nature of power is another anniversary of the Russian matter. The fact that the of . Prime Minister and her dep-· dynasty Inside, the parliament is fast coming to resemble a rather bizarre club, one where the guards on the door have they do not.

resigned themselves to the

yesterday for a rally of Soviet mosphere is accentuated by government's relations with the fact that many people by the international press. They now are spending the bulk of are, by and large, an engaging their time there, and by its lot, but wholly inexperienced, curious feeling of being cut off and some are cracking slightly from the outside world, under the strain and the Considered as a club, it must colossal workload. Their parbe said that it has one of the ents at home are bombarding best restaurants in Vilnius, some of them with telephone and some of the most comfort-

> Apart from the restaurant, there are two centres to the have been a handful of Ameriparliament, and they work like whisky and camphor; the chamber of deputies puts you to sleep and the press centre wakes you up again, as photojournalists rush in babbling of Sovietism of some of them is sighting tanks, like so many demented bird-watchers. Despite the soporific quality

of some of their speeches, the leaders of the parliament are a fascinating study in themselves, if only because they are so utterly different both from the apparatchiks who preceded them in what used to be a puppet theatre where parliament met only two or three times a year, and from their counterparts in Western Europe.

The very boredom of many of the speeches has its meaning. Journalists here have been astonished by the fact that the parliament can debate at endless length minor changes in the structure of government in the middle of one of the greatest crises in Lithuanian history.

This capacity for steady constitutional work is, however, what this body is all matter. The fact that the uties spend hours on end listening to these debates in-stead of getting a grip on the administration suggests that

gravely as they do the dep- who came on student visas week.

uties. This club-like at- and have taken over the calls begging them to come home.

Also intermittently present can advisers on law and economics. Their advice seems entirely harmless, but has caused great offence in Moscow. The loud antirather irritating. It recalls V.S. Naipaul's phrase about Western radicals in the Third World being "revolutionaries on return tickets".

These academics do not have to stay and suffer the possibly bitter consequences of Lithuania's precipitate declaration of independence. In the meantime, there are both moral and physical thrills to be had from the expectation of repression.

These scholars are also of course wholly ignorant of the darker sides of their own American history. But no doubt a lack of historical irony is a necessary qualification for the imperial mind. Most of the Russian journalists I have met here have lost this qualification under the battering revelations of glasnost about the history of the Soviet Union.

Spiritually as well as physically, they are likely to be inside the building if the mob or the tanks arrive.

Mr Gorbachov will be ultimately responsible for dispatching the tanks here if they ever do arrive - another piece of historical irony. At another time, some of the A very visible feature of the Lithuanian intellectuals in the membership of vulgar riff-raff, parliament are the young parliament there might appreand greet the journalists as Americans and Canadians ciate this irony. But not this

Thatcher calls for restraint

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

THE Prime Minister last night urged Moscow would jeopardize her own good relationship

dispute over the territory, but gave a warning against the use of force to settle it. Questioned in the Commons, Mrs Thatcher described the situation as very difficult for

both Mr Gorbachov and the people of Lithuania. "I hope it will be settled by restraint with both sides discussing so that they can be used if there was a threat to come to a satisfactory conclusion." But she said: "Force is not an appropriate way to settle this position.'

MPs on both sides of the Commons noted that Mrs Thatcher had shown considerable understanding of Mr Gorbachov's position ay. 1968. He retired in 1984. Staff's plan of action and was clearly anxious to say nething. and was clearly anxious to say nething which

with the Soviet leader or inflame the situation in Lithuania.

Her reply angered Mr David Alton, Liberal Democrat MP for Liverpool Mossley Hill. He asked in what ways the people of Lithuania were to show restraint, given that their country had been forcibly annexed by the Soviet Union and that the aggression there now was coming entirely from the Soviet Union.

Mrs Thatcher again responded cautiously. She said: "The situation there is very difficult indeed. It will not help to be provocative in any way on either side. The only way is for both groups of people to sit down and try to work things through by dialogue."

Minister in his capacity as Edward Kennedy and Presi-Low-key response masks Bush fears

From Martin Fletcher, Washington

LITHUANIA'S demand for attacks from domestic critics independence, though such an each urging peaceful negotia-emotive word has not yet been tion to resolve the crisis. used openly here, has created a crisis for Washington. So far Mr Marlin Fitzwater, the President Bush's successes White House Press Secretary, have been exclusively in the the support, co-operation or, at least, tacit approval of President Gorbachov.

Mr Bush's ambitions, likewise, depend on the Soviet Fitzwater finally said in public leader's survival. Most im- what the US has long been mediately, the two are scheduled to meet in Washington in June and Mr Bush hopes for historic agreements on cuts in Soviet relationships". He also strategic arms and con-cast the first scintilla of doubt strategic arms and conventional forces in Europe.

Novak, respected Washington ing that "we are prepared to Post columnists, have written that Mr Bush would "close his eyes to almost any strong-arm tactics in order to preserve the US-Soviet love-in". They went on to cite one senior administration official's pri- Mr Fitzwater has acknowl-Chamberlain's appearement of Hitler. "I would never be quoted on this, but I see the lin ordered its troops to seize 'umbrella'," said the anony- army deserters in Lithuania. mous official.

in strenuous diplomacy, emconsequences on US-Soviet relations of a military crackdown. Mr Yuri Dubinin, the twice to the State Department last week. Mr James Baker, the Sec-

retary of State, raised the Lithuanian crisis with Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, his Soviet counterpart, in Namibia and over the weekend wrote to him in Moscow. But in public the Admin-

istration has avoided any

are to reject a resolution demanding that the White House recognize Lithuania. Instead it has issued a graduated series of warnings to Moscow, each slightly less mild than the last, and just when more might have been

Thus on Tuesday last week

suggested Soviet activities in field of foreign policy, and Lithuania were "cause for almost all have depended on concern". By Friday Mr Bush was warning that any Soviet attempt to coerce or intimi-date would "almost certainly backfire". On Monday Mr telling Moscow in private that "further actions . . . could be counter-productive to USon whether June's summit Rowland Evans and Robert could now take place, observ-

have a summit at this time". There is little evidence that Washington has had any effect on Moscow's conduct. Two US diplomats were ordered out of Lithuania last Friday. vate comparison of the US edged that Moscow's sabreresponse to Lithuania with rattling seems "to escalate on a daily basis". Even after Monday's warning the Krem-

Moscow's repeated assur-Behind the scenes the ances that it will not use force Administration has engaged are still being taken at face value in Washington, but the phasizing to Moscow the dire Administration's low-key reaction to events so far masks a

deepening alarm. No one here believes that Soviet Ambassador, went Mr Gorbachov wants to jeopardize the Soviet Union's vastly improved relations with the US. But they fear that faced with a stark choice, he might opt to crack down in Lithuania rather than see the Soviet empire unravel.

Dr Adam Ulam, a professor of history at Harvard's Russian Research Centre, said: "For Gorbachov this question inflammatory statements, is life and death. He's against even persuading the US Senthe wall and is going to lose one way or the other." There is one other emotion

expressed privately by some administration officials -

considerable irritation with

Lithuania for forcing the issue

strong enough to ward off achieved through patience.

Yazov peace pledge From Susan MacDonald

GENERAL Dmitri Yazov, the Soviet Defence Minister, yes-terday denied that Soviet troops had carried out any armed operation in Lithuania.

Asked at the start of a fourday visit to France for his reaction to the news that Soviet paratroopers had dragged Lithuanian deserters from a Vilnius psychiatric hospital, General Yazov said: "I can tell you there has been no armed action on Lithuanian territory ... everything will be resolved by peaceful means." He admitted, however, that he did not have upto-date information.

Asked if the Soviet Union planned strong measures in Lithuania, he replied: "What do you mean by strong?" "There are troops in the Baltic military region but we have not used the Soviet Army," he said.

General Yazov said the army deserters seized yesterday "must be taken back to their military units". His comments came after half an hour of talks with M Michel Rocard, the French Prime Minister.

During his visit General Yazov will tour the French Naval headquarters at Touion, the Army headquarters at Saumur and the Air Force in



General Yazov on his guard in Paris yesterday.

This one co Hungary in limbo despite triumph by centre right Hungary entered an uncertain Socialists, the reform wing of period of political limbo yes-terday after final results (92 per cent) from Sunday's gen-

eral election showed that only five of the 176 constituency a strong opposition force in seats in the new parliament had been filled.

Although the poll gave a clear edge to the centre-right Hungarian Democratic Forum with just less than 25 per cent of the vote, followed closely by the liberal Alliance of Free Democrats with almost 22 per cent, the presence of more than 25 parties and many independents on the ballot precluded candidates from the two major parties from reaching the mandatory 50 per cent majority for an outright victory.

In Budapest, the biggest city and county, no candidate won a seat. A decisive second round will be held nationwide on April 8 with candidates who polled 15 per cent or

The electoral law, which Hungarians proudly say is the world's most complex, allows voters to cast two ballots for a candidate and a party in 176 constituencies; a further 152 scats are allocated proportionately on the county level, and there are a final 52 seats on "national lists" based on the county returns.

Both parties predicted yesterday that they will come out on top in the second round. But the inconclusive firstround results have forced them to rethink their coalition strategies and to begin talks with the four other parties which attained more than four per cent of the popular vote, the threshold needed to make it into parliament. These are Socialists, the Smallholders, the League of Young Democrats and the

Christian Democrats. Success in the second ballot will depend on the Free Democrats and the Democratic Forum convincing their natural political allies to give up their own candidates in favour of the larger parties.

Mr Victor Orban, a leader of the Young Democrats, has March 15. said that his party is ready to negotiate with the Free Democrats about running joint can- Beirut on March 16, but soon while Dr Jozsef reversed its decision. Antall, president of the Democratic Forum, repeated yes- blast set the Soviet embassy terday that his party remains on fire, killing a one person "close" to the Christian believed to be a diplomat, and Democrats and the Smallholders.

Both leaders say they will have nothing to do with the Israel.

will be content with becoming

parliament Demographics will be a major consideration in the second round calculations. The Forum did well in medium-size towns and small cities and astonished pundits by beating the Free Democrats in their Budapest stronghold by one per cent. Besides Budapest, the Free Democrats showed strength in western Hungary, while the Smallholders and the Christian Democrats were popular in the eastern rural regions.

All parties united yesterday in critizing the extraordinary delay in publishing the elec-tion results, which were still being hand-counted in some counties almost 48 hours after the polis closed.

A member of the National Electoral Commission blamed the delay on the lack of experience in holding free elections, poor telephone lines and what he called "simple human tiredness". He held out the possibility that legal action could be taken against the Commission, or that the election could be declared invalid, as the law requires all results to be published within 24 hours of the poll closing. BEIRUT: Fearing attacks by Muslim militants opposing the Jewish migration to Israel,

yesterday announced the suspension of its flights to Lebanon (A Correspondent Beirut airport officials and company directors here said the airline would also stop flying to other Arab countries following recent threats by

the Hungarian airline Malev

Muslim militants to bomb planes and airports transporting Jews to Israel. The shadowy pro-Iranian Islamic Jihad Organization for the Liberation of Palestine, which is holding three Americans hostage, made such a

threat in a statement on Malev announced the resumption of its flights to

Last week a reported bomb wounding another. Reports linked it to warnings against the influx of Soviet Jews to

Visitor for Berlin's British forces



King, the Defence Secretary, talking to soldiers of the 1st Battalion, the Irish Guards, at a British forces' shooting range in West Berlin yesterday when he paid a one-day visit to the city

Stasi legacy threatens to disrupt unity timetable

From Ian Murray, Bonn

Meanwhile, one of East

Germany's leading church-

men has called for an internat-

ional judicial commission to

investigate the past of all the

newly elected members of the

they have a "Stasi-past". Herr

Manfred Stolpe, president of the Evangelical Church in Berlin-Brandenburg, sug-gested in an interview with Die Welt that the commission should be headed by Herr Kurt Furgler, the former Swiss President and Justice Min-

President and Justice Min-

ister. In Herr Stolpe's view,

however, it was urgent for a

constituent assembly of the

new Volkskammer to be held and the job of forming a gov-

at this stage to carry out a thor-

ough check of everyone. Only glaring individual cases

Herr Gregor Gysi, leader of

the reformed East German

because a planned preliminary

session of the Volkskammer

should be dealt with now.

It was, he said, not possible

emment completed.

Volkskammer to discover if

to all the accusations.

ACCUSATIONS against East he said, there should be a stop German politicians of involvement with the Stasi secret police are threatening to make nonsense of the timetable for reunification, according to Herr Wolfgang Schauble, the Bonn Interior

Minister. The growing number of allegations was also threatening to endanger the stability of the country, he said in an interview yesterday with the Freiburg daily, Badische Zeitung.

To overcome the problem, he called for a "liberal amnesty" for most former collaborators. It was not a simple matter to sort through and clear up after 40 years of 'Stasi-past", he said. It should therefore be considered whether or not it would be better to grant an amnesty for all but those guilty of serious

Herr Helmut Kohl, the West German Chancellor, ve his support to Herr warned people not "to sit on a high moral horse" in judging what the East Germans had done.

While those guilty of crimes carrying a jail sentence should be brought before the courts. the Stasi files being made public — not only for the 400 Volkskammer deputies but for 200,000 local councillors who are to be elected on May 6.

• Election hope: Leaders of the opposition Social Democrats (SPD) say that, in losing the East German elections, their chances of winning the next Bundestag election in December have improved. Meeting in Hanover to endorse the nomination of Herr Oskar Lafontaine as a candidate for Chancellor, the party's national council was urged to build its victory in the West on the SPD's defeat in the East.

Herr Lafontaine said Herr Kohl had won the election in the East by making unfulfillable promises. He accused him of "blockheadedness" for paying out billions in benefits for East Germans, frittering away money which should have been used to improve the social security system there.

Although the flow from the Schauble's idea yesterday and communist party, felt that East slowed to 4,400 last week immediately after the elections, the number arriving on had not met to identify former Monday was 1,172 - five Stasi-paid informers and qui- times as many as on the etly ask them to resign, there previous day. Since the begin-was the risk of the most ning of the year, 150,404 have intimate details contained in moved to the West.

former soldier who had es-

caped from jail to lead a small

band of outlaws against the

Mr Brunswijk, a Bush Ne-

gro, became a folk hero in

of the Amazon as he con-

founded Surinam's 7,000-man

Army with only several hun-

dred men armed with shot-

The destruction of Suri-

nam's economy by the rebels

forced Colonel Bouterse into

elections in which Mr Shankar

emerged victorious at the head of a shaky coalition,

though the defeated colone

stayed on as army chief with a

strong hand in the nation's

had cut off economic aid after

the Army assassinated 15

dition the Army kept out of

politics and allowed the new

Government to negotiate a

flict. After months of inter-

peaceful solution to the con-

The Netherlands, which

guns and hunting rifles.

Surinam and

army chief.

Fears for accord on troop strengths

From Frederick Bonnart

that the prized agreement for reducing conventional forces rush of events in Eastern involved.

The Nato negotiators are larmed at the unusual reception of their latest proposals according to officials here who

The Nato side had expected a concrete response to its proposals, which had gone a ong way to meeting Warsaw Pact figures.

In particular, at the Ottawa neeting on overflights, the United States and the Soviet Union had agreed on a ceiling of 195,000 troops each, to be with a further 30,000 US troops elsewhere in Europe (Soviet forces are only stationed in central Europe).

forward a new concept, that of limiting all troops on each side in the Atlantic-to-the-Urals area to 700,000 each. This would not only put a limit on British, French, Belgian, Canadian, Dutch and US forces stationed in the Federal Republic of Germany but, as the respective homes of the Europeans are in the Atlanticto-the-Urals area, would apply

to be the main motive, it would limit German forces. In spite of the radical political changes in most of their countries, the East Bloc delegations have not changed and they appear to be waiting for instructions. As elections are being held everywhere, these may not be forthcoming. At the same time, in the Soviet Union, with crisis piling on crisis, it is unlikely that the Soviet leadership can get

NATO is seriously worried in Europe may now be delayed, or never concluded. ing to a halt as the headlong Europe is changing relationships between the powers

prepare the allied position.

The Soviet side has now put

to their total forces. In particular, and this seems

Germans find more graves from Stalin era

ceeded the Nazi death camps, have been found at

The East German news agency, ADN, yesterday conprisoner found human remains in an area used by the Soviet occupying troops when they administered the camp from 1945 to 1948.

The revelation comes just days after the accidental discovery of mass graves in Funfeiche, north of East Berlin, known under the Soviet occupation as "Special Camp Number Nine".

The indiscriminate incarceration of Germans deemed insympathetic to the Soviet regime after the war has always been suspected al-though strenuously denied by previous East German gov-ernments, which insisted that all concentration camps were liberated by the Red Army in

Only now are former prisoners daring to reveal the horror of the camps, which were run on the same lines as under the Nazi regime, al-though most still prefer to talk anonymously fearing repris-

Herr Gerhard Finn, of the West German Interior Ministry, said yesterday that he expected further mass graves would be revealed in East Germany. "We estimate that between 65,000 and 70,000 people died in the Soviet camps," he said.

Herr Finn, himself a former prisoner of the Russians in Buchenwald, estimates that between 180,000 and 200,000 people were incarcerated in Soviet camps on present East German territory in the five years after the war ended. As well as Nazi criminals

MASS graves of thousands of they included innocent men victims of Stalin's con-women and children sen-centration camps, which suc-tenced without trial or as a tenced without trial or as a result of revenge or disinformation spread by the Kriminalinspektion - the Oranienburg outside East Berlin — the second such discovforerunner to the East German Ministry of State

No exact records appear to firmed that workers excavating near the site of the bers who died in the 13 camps Sachsenhausen Nazi camp across East Germany. The after a tip-off from a former administrators at the museum on the site of the notorious Buchenwald camp near Wei mar have asked the East German Government to set up a joint German-Soviet commission of inquiry into

the use of the Nazi camps by the occupying Soviet forces. East German historians believe that KGB files in Moscow taken over from the organization's Stalinist prede cessor, the NKVD, hold vital keys to the matter but they have yet to be opened up to

Party candidate: East Germany's dominant Christian Democratic Party confirmed yesterday that it intends to nominate its leader, Herr Lothar de Maizière, as its candidate for Prime Minister despite rumours that he was a former Stasi (secret police)

The party also called on the opposition Social Democrats (SPD) to enter into negotiations on forming a grand coalition as soon as possible to alleviate the "national emergency".

Christian Democrats also said that they intended to administer the ministerial posts of education, foreign affairs, defence and the economy in the new Government. The commission for the dissolution of the Stasi said yesterday that it had found no evidence to support claims that the SPD leader, Herr

Stasi informant. Herr Böhme has renounced his posts within the party until

Ibrahim Böhme, was a former

Bulgaria exposes 'death camps'

A SPECIAL commission of telephone." Mr Zhivkov is camps where some prisoners were tortured and killed in the 1950s and early 1960s under the rule of Mr Todor Zhivkov, the Communist leader ousted last November.

The existence of the camps has been made public in an article in Demokrativa, the newspaper of the opposition coalition, the United Democratic Forces. More reports with new details and allegations have appeared in other newspapers and on Bulgarian television.

Mr Iordan Ormankov, a lawyer who is the spokesman of the Ministry of Interior, said on Monday in an interview that Mr Zhivkov himself might be implicated by the investigation of "the serious crimes" committed in the camps.

"In an authoritarian regime such as existed before November 10 it was not possible for

the Bulgarian Government now confined to a military has uncovered concentration hospital, while the state posecutor continues an investigation of other possible crimes committed during his 35-year rule.

Among the concentration camps under investigation are those at Bogdanov Dol, Belene island in the Danube and at Lovech. The disclosures most shocking to ordinary Bulgarians concern Lovech Some press reports here are calling it "a death camp".

Mr Ormankov said a preliminary examination of Interior Ministry archives and interviews with former inmates indicate that between 700 and 1,000 people were interned at Lovech starting in 1959 and that about 100 died there or were killed.

The spokesman added: Documents show that the activities of these units, or 'obiects' as they were called were under the control of the Depsuch things to be neglected by uty Minister of Interior, Colthe ruler," Mr Ormankov onel-General Mircho Spasov. said. "Todor Zhivkov at least He issued the directives, onel-General Mircho Spasov. knew or gave the orders. The mostly verbally, although problem is that from this there are several documents

(New York Times)

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Chinese are 'exporting missiles'

Peking CHINA has begun exporting short-range ballistic missiles, probably to Iran or Iraq, to raise badly needed cash, according to Western diplomats, but the Defence Ministry here said it was unaware of any missile sales.

Western military attaches said shipments of the surfaceto-surface missiles were being made while Western countries enjoyed vastly reduced influence with Peking because of a severe strain in ties since the Army's crackdown on prodemocracy demonstrators.

Witnesses report seeing two convoys carrying 26 missiles, launchers and other accessories moving through the outskirts of Peking during the past few days.

More boat people return

Hong Kong - Another 106 Viernamese hoat people flew home from here yesterday under the UN-administered voluntary repatriation scheme (Jonathan Braude writes). It was the third planeload this month, but only the fifteenth since the programme began. Since last March, 1,582 boat

people have gone home vol-untarily, but Hong Kong and the UN High Commissioner for Refugees hope soon to increase the number to 1,000 a month by the summer.

Shark attacks a Rockefeller

Suva - Mr Ola Rockefeller, aged 30, son of Mr James Rockefeller, a New York husinessman and member of America's wealthy Rockefeller cian, was attacked by a shark off a secluded Fijian island, doctors at Lautoka Hospital said vesterday.

He has restrained

He was flown to the hospital after his right leg was mauled in Saturday's attack but has since returned to the United States for treatment. He was accompanied by a medical ht ankle loan, the terms of which were (AFP) not met by the borrower," M team and had his right ankle

Athens rebuked over economy

From Michael Binyon, Brussels

President of the European Commission, has sent a stiffly worded warning to the interim Greek Government that unless it takes immediate steps to put its ailing economy in order it could lose international credibility.

confirmed that the letter was Xenophon Zolotas, the Prime Minister, but refused to divulce its contents. It was made public in Athens on Monday by Mr Constantine Mitsotakis, the leader of the New Democracy Party, who is monetary union. campaigning in the general election set for April 8.

A Commission spokesman said yesterday that Brussels had deliberately sent the letter before the election so that the winner would have ample warning of its concern.

Pointing out that the economic situation in Greece had worsened significantly in the past two years, M Delors said the situation was "a serious cause of concern for all of us". The most important economic indicators available to the Commission showed that the situation had become "very worrying".

The Greek inflation rate is 15 per cent, three times the EC average. Wages are rising by 20 per cent a year, and there has been a big increase in public borrowing since 1988. The country's total public debt is estimated at £30 billion - more than its annual gross domestic product. M Delors said the Commu-

nity had made every effort to integrate Greece into the EC since it joined in 1981. In the last economic crisis in 1985. the Community granted Greece a loan of 1.5 billion Ecu (£1.1 billion). At the time Greece agreed to introduce austerity measures, but Brussels is concerned that these have been relaxed.

The Commission would

find itself in a difficult pos-

ition to have participated in

and linked its credibility to a

M JACQUES Delors, the Delors's letter said. It added "This makes immediate and drastic measures imperative, and forming and imposing a multi-year plan to improve the economy as fast as possible." The letter was unprece-

dented in its frank warning The Commission yesterday about the state of an EC member's economy. It came sent on March 5 to Mr after the EC agreement that central bankers of all members should co-ordinate their economies more closely and engage in multilateral surveillance of their policies as the first state of economic and

M Delors said the Greek debt threatened to undermine Greece's future as the EC moved towards the completion of the single market.

A Commission spokesman yesterday confirmed that Greece had been warned that the whole regional aid programme for the country would be endangered if the gap continued to widen. Greece's participation in plans for economic and monetary union also would be jeopardized. The letter has brought swift

reaction in Greece, and accusations that Brussels is interfering in Greece's affairs. But Mr Mitsotakis has produced it as evidence of the economic crisis now facing the country, and of the immediate need for a strong government to implement the austere steps agreed but held up by the squabbling among the Government's coalition partners. ATHENS: Bomb explosions rocked Athens in the early hours of yesterday, destroying 14 cars belonging to Eastern European and Arab embassies in what was the first large-scale attack on non-Western diplomatic targets in Greece (A Correspondent

An extreme left-wing terror-ist group calling itself "Social Resistance" later claimed responsibility for the bombings. A caller to an Athens newspaper said that they were meant as a protest against "the appression of the Third World

Surinam rebel leader arrested

From Alan Tomlinson

THE Surinamese Army has arrested the leader of the country's Bush Negro rebel movement in a gun battle in the capital, Paramaribo, where the guerrilla chief was attending peace talks with the civilian government.

An army spokesman said Mr Ronnie Brunswijk, leader of a three-year-old revolt against Lieutenant-Colonel Desi Bouterse, a military strongman, was being held on drugs charges at Fort Zeelandia, the Army's headquarters in the capital.

The arrest on Monday, in which two of Mr Brunswijk's guards were killed, was denounced by the Dutch Government as a threat to peace and democratization in its former colony of 400,000 inhabitants on the north-eastern shoulder of South America.

The charges are believed to be related to Mr Brunswijk's announcement on Sunday that his forces in the east of the country had seized a shipment of 2,200lb of cocaine on board a Colombian aircraft that landed at the bauxite-mining

town of Moengo, which had been a centre of fighting. The Netherlands said Mr Brunswijk's detention, along with several of his aides, had been made without prior consultation with President Shankar, who immediately sent a delegation to discuss the incident with the Army commander.

Colonel Bouterse, who handed over power to elected civilians two years ago after eight years of military dictatorship, is opposed to a peace politics. treaty negotiated with the rebels last June because it allows them to remain armed and contemplates turning prominent politicians in 1981, them into a jungle police force restored it last year on conin southern and eastern areas, traditionally inhabited by Surinam's Bush Negro minority, the descendants of runaway siaves.

The Bush Negro insurrec- mittent fighting, Mr Brunstion against military rule wijk travelled to Paramaribo began in 1986 when Colonel this week for a new round of Bouterse cracked down on talks.





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Spiral of violence casts cloud over talks with ANC

tiations between the Goverument and the African National Congress, although the talks are still expected to proceed on schedule next

Hopes of a peaceful transition from apartheid to nonracial democracy were dim-inished by this week's clashes between blacks and riot police in Sebokeng township, south of Johannesburg, in which eight blacks were killed and more than 350 injured. The police said yesterday they had fired in self-defence after a crowd estimated at 50,000 had gnored orders to disperse, and had surged towards them, creaming: "Kill the Boers."

The confrontations between plack demonstrators and secgrity forces, along with a resurgence of guerrilla attacks an government property, directly impinge on three key issues in the forthcoming negotiations — the need for stability during political trans-ition, ANC demands for ending the state of emergency, and government insistence that the ANC abandon its "armed

June, 1986, must be lifted as a pre-condition for broader negotiations on a new constitution. But with whites alarmed by increasing lawlessness in black townships and tribal homelands, the Government will find it extremely difficult to take such a step.

Attacks on town council offices and a power station in and around Soweto with

utions sought by Pretoria.

The climate of instability is fuelled by uncertainty over who is responsible for the strife, and doubts about whether the ANC effectively controls the townships. Mr Walter Sisulu, the leader of the organization's "internal" wing, said yesterday it was the negotiations in Cape Town on April 11.

He did not apportion blame, but there is speculation that the ANC's authority is being undermined by more militant black groups opposed to any form of dialogue with the Government. Most of the mass demonstrations have focused on "bread and butter" issues, such as high rents and inadequate social services, but activists are suspected of inciting violent confrontations for political ends.

Racial violence is also increasing, with white vigilan-tes assaulting and killing blacks in the Orange Free State, and blacks attacking Indians in Natal. More than 100 blacks armed with knives The ANC says the emer-ency decrees in force since night when they tried to nijack a bus driven by an Indian.

Bishop Stanley Mogoba of the Methodist Church of Southern Africa appealed for restraint on both sides yesterday. "The police need to be told in no uncertain terms by the Government that they must act in a manner more becoming a peace-keeping force than a force of warriors. By the same token, I call on

THE rising tide of violence in that black nationalists are in shoot first and ask questions South Africa has jeopardized no mood to lay down their later, so there is an added prospects of an early break- arms and thereby give the responsibility on the commucommitment to peaceful sol-nity to act in ways that are not provocative."

A further source of concern is loss of morale in the police force, which is being depleted by more than 20 resignations a day. Some 1,329 quit in the first two months of this year alone. Officials blame low pay, long hours and extreme danger, but disenchantment possible that incidents were with government reforms being provoked to sabotage among policemen with rightwing political views is believed to be a factor.

Discontent spread to the prisons service this week when 564 warders at 11 prisons were suspended for supporting union demands for lifting the emergency, abolishing detention without trial and investigating allegations of police brutality.

Mr Adriaan Vlok, Minister of Law and Order, recently many citizens already knew danger of succumbing to the law of the jungle. He said almost 12,000 people had been murdered last year and a serious assault was committed every four minutes.

Yesterday Mr Vlok disclosed that almost three million firearms were registered in South Africa, and new at the rate of 3,000 a week.

O EAST LONDON : Work has begun on a 211,500 rand (£49,500)top-of-the-range Mercedes 500 SE for Mr Nelson Mandela, a company spokesman confirmed here yesterday (AFP reports).

Racism

shown to

be rising

in France

From Susan MacDonald Paris

in France since the Second World War was yesterday handed to the Prime Minister,

The 400-page report on

racism in France was com-piled by M Paul Bouchet,

president of the National

Consultative Commission on

Human Rights. It took six

It is now all right, according

to the report, to openly state

The upsurge in racist crimes

and their continued reporting in the press means, says M

Bouchet, that they have be-

come part of everyday life and

Not since the war, he states,

have people felt so free to

openly declare their national-

those on racial integration.

istic opinions in preference to

A chief root cause, says the

report, is the large concentra-

tions of immigrant families -mainly from North and black

Africa - in certain regions of

Prime examples are the

huge concrete council housing

estates, devoid of amenities,

which have sprung up around

the leading cities such as Paris

In new dormitory towns such as Monfermeil, to the

north-east of Paris, im-migrants make now make up

more than 80 per cent of the population and old-time res-

M Bouchet stated yesterday

idents feel swamped.

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M Michel Rocard.

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and Lyons.

Most of the company's hourly-paid workers have agreed to put in one hour free for four days to make the red car, which will take two weeks

the people who sense freedom rocket-propelled grenades and limpet mines this week have to keep control of the situaheightened nervousness am- tion. There are still members ong whites, and made it clear of the police force who will to complete. Strong-arm tactics clear

way for Mugabe victory

caved in on Monday and with- severe unemployment, a standrew from the general election dard of living worse than as a Zimbabwe Unity Movement (Zum) candidate.

Three weeks ago the interior paign, Zanu (PF) plans for a of his carpentry shop in one-party state. Herere's Mulakose town was looted and ransacked. His the opposition parties, has record bar in the Madya mini- been able to mount a spirited market has scarcely taken a campaign - often using the oh anyone who dared to defy a the political establishment for boycott. At dusk gangs of bullying teenagers and children, many of them forced from their homes to join in, have jogged to his small brick house, chanting Zanu (PF) dogans, singing and threaten-Wait until Saturday.
Then we will see you."
There remain 271 can-

five political parties and a farmers supporting Mr Tekere that their land will be the first ing for 120 seats in the new targets" of a proposed land-250-seat unicameral Parditional chiefs. The results will be known by Saturday morning after two days of voting, starting today.

Simultaneous with the country's second parliamen- in disbelief this week as an choice between Mr Patrick first presidential poll.

Mr Edgar Tekere, the man closest to President Mugabe antil his fall from grace and expulsion from the ruling party in 1988, is now leader of Zum and the only candidate opposing Mr Mugabe.

would will all overtaining a unit despione can to police victory. But the electorate has stopped after Sunday, withbrought a small riot-squad become disillusioned by a drawn, sources said, on the detachment. Naples grieves for its lost treasures

MR EVANS Svosve finally series of corruption scandals, significant issue in the cam-

> its depth of support. Zum is optimistically estimated as being likely to pick up 10 seats, and Mr Mugabe is

clearly not satisfied. His rally oratory is heavily spiced with threats, implied violence and bitter invective against Mr Tekere. He has threatened to dismiss civil didates - barring any further servants for supporting Zum ithdrawals - representing and has threatened white

fament. The remaining 30 In Rushinga in the remote north-east, of Zimbabwe, he angrily complained in the Shona vernacular of the "docility" of the Zanu (PF) youth wing, asking: "Haven't they got fists?"

Television viewers watched pary elections is Zimbabwe's advertisement broadcast the squealing of tyres and the smashing impact of glass and metal of a vehicle accident, followed by a voice intoning: This is one way to die. Another is to vote for Zum. Don't commit suicide . . . vote Zanu (PF)." Another showed Even before the election was a coffin being lowered into the

announced five weeks ago ground, followed by the statement "Aids kills. So does Mugabe's ruling Zanu (PF) Zum. Vote for Zanu (PF)."

instructions of an embarrassed party hierarchy, but the Electoral Supervisory Commission, the government-appointed body with no executive powers and the task of ensuring the freedom and fairness of elections", made no comment.

Police have not issued a single statement with details dent since burly youths took same violent township tactics of inter-party violence. It has up position outside to report as Zanu (PF) - that alarmed been left to the ill-organized opposition to announce the death of one Zum supporter in hospital last week, after he was allegedly beaten up by Zanu (PF) supporters; and the nearfatal shooting last Saturday of Mr Patrick Kombayi, a Zum candidate in the city of Gweru in the country's Midlands

province. The Catholic Commission for Justice and Peace in Zimbabwe, which is collecting information for a post-elec-toral report, said it had received "many more" reports of intimidation and violence than in the last elections in 1985, but only few were verifiable because of the failure of the complainants to

supply details. The withdrawal from the Mufakose constituency of Mr Svosve has left voters with a Marime, the Zanu (PF) candidate and Mr Edward Mazaiwana, aged 70, the leader of the United African National Council, which in 1979 led the country for 10 months in an alliance with Mr Ian Smith, the former Rhode-

sian Prime Minister. Last Friday night mobs were outside Mr Mazaiwana's home chanting, jeering and threatening, but they left after advertisements a third telephone call to police

Rabbi dims Labour hopes of forming government

From Richard Owen, Jerusalem

raeli Labour Party leader, yesterday appeared to be losing heart in his efforts to form a left-wing government com-A REPORT which presents a damning picture of the deterioration in race relations be considering fresh elections.

He conceded that he had been dealt a setback by strong hints from Rabbi Eliezer Schach, aged 96, Israel's lead-

Knesset (parliament) should support the conservative Likud Party rather than Labour. Mr Peres was asked by President Herzog on March 20 to try to form an administra- after the last. tion after the collapse five

days earlier of the Likud-Labour "national unity" co-

Mr Peres insisted yesterday that Monday night's speech by a deeply Orthodox commutirade against loss of religious astonished and upset by the their lives for the Jewish state.

delivered a religious rather than a political message None the less, he admitted

that the four religious parties mitted to peace talks, and to with seats in the Knesset were retreating from Labour, and "if what the commentators are saying is true, we might have to hold new elections".

Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the ing spiritual authority, that the influential religious parties which hold the balance in the chance to form a new government instead of Labour. because it was "not healthy" for Israel to hold a new election only some 18 months

Monday night's address by the Lithuanian-born Rabbi Schach, delivered to an adualition as a result of disagree-ments over American efforts latory audience of more than 10,000 Orthodox Jews in a to achieve an Israeli-Palestin- sports stadium, left many

MR SHIMON Peres, the Is- values on the Israeli left - international media coverage of his address.

He used the occasion to attack the main parties. Likud was indirectly criticized for seeking to retain control of the occupied West Bank and Gaza at a high cost in life. The key to Jewish destiny lay not in possession of land but in study of the Torah, Rabbi Schach

His true scorn, however, was reserved for the secular supporters of Labour and their allies in the Kibbutz movement. In a voice shaking with emotion, he denounced the "alienation from Judaism" of the kibbutzim.

"You should not be drawn people who have no link with Judaism, no links with their past," he said.

The left responded anguly yesterday, with Mr Micha ian dialogue in Cairo. In observers baffled, relying as it Harish, the Labour Party sectheory he has another two did on quotations from the retary-general, reminding the weeks to achieve his task.

Torah. Rabbi Schach, who is from and kibbutzim members were staunch Israeli patriots who Rabbi Schach - in essence a nity in Tel Aviv, was said to be had shed blood and given

"had not changed, and would

not change her stance" on

Cambodia, and would con-tinue to donate "multi-form

But he stressed that Peking

had to come to a compromise

agreement with Hanoi if the

The Prince described the

US-manufactured uniforms

worn by resistance troops, and

warned that if the US stopped

its non-lethal aid, "China will

ces say that thousands of Viet-

namese soldiers are illegally

boosting the Vietnam-backed

Phnom Penh Army, but Ha-

Cambodian resistance for-

fighting was to stop.

supply instead".

Roy Anderson, a professional stantman, soars fearlessly through the air between two buildings in Toronto, Canada, to claim a world record. He jumped 21 ft 3 in from one five-storey warehouse to another, eclipsing the previous record of 19 ft, despite a pulled hamstring. He said after his triumphant landing: "I didn't worry about anything up there. It was just me and oblivion." Mr Anderson, aged 26, whose film credits include Rocky IV, wore a white hood and red bodysuit and used no net or safety apparatus. He is now looking for a wider gap and higher buildings. Governor urged to spare life

MOTHER Teresa, the Nobel Peace Prize winner, has telephoned Mr George Deukmejian, the Governor of California, to urge him to spare Robert Harris, a murderer set to be the first executed in California in 23 years.

Fr John Dear, a Jesuit seminarian who later spoke to Mother Teresa, said she had asked the Governor "to do what Jesus would do if Jesus were in his position".

A spokesman said the Governor pointed out that voters had twice approved the death penalty and he had sworn to uphold the law.

Amnesty offer

Windhoek - President Nu joma of Namibia has announced an extensive amnesty for prisoners and warned the Baster tribe that secession attempts are (Reuter) illegal.

Party purge

Peking - China's Communist Party expelled 33,400 members in 1989 for offences which included abuse of 'power or "ideological shortcomings". (AF)

Renewed links

Jerusalem - Bulgaria will reestablish diplomatic relations with Israel within the next few weeks, the fourth East European country to do so since September.

Peace moves

Kabul - The United Nations wants "zones of tranquillity" set up in Afghanistan so that five million Afghan refugees can start going home, a UN official said.

Karate killer

Palma de Majorca - A motorist, aged 19, beat another driver, aged 25, to death with karate blows in a traffic dispute near this Balearic island town, police said. (Reuter)

Journalist held

Cairo - An Egyptian reporter for Reuters has been detained in Sudan, the second foreign journalist to be held there in two months.

Ferry disaster

Dhaka - At least 150 people were feared drowned when a ferry capsized near Bangladesh's border with Burma.

Sihanouk accuses Hanoi of colonizing Cambodia

Peking

PRINCE Norodom Sihanouk, Cambodia's former monarch and resistance coalition leader, yesterday accused Victnam of colonizing large areas of Cambodia, comparing it with encroachment in Europe by Nazi Germany in the Second World. War and declaring:

that underneath racist taunts "Our Hitler is Hanoi." and threats is a dangerous At a press conference tinged current of violence. The day before, the president of the anti-racism SOS-Racisme, M with tragi-comedy at his residence in Peking, Prince Sihanouk said that some one Harlem Desir, was nearly beaten up by National Front million Vietnamese are living in Cambodia as civilian "illegal immigrants". He said A think tank on integration Cambodians were the ethnic and a reflection committee on minority in two eastern provthe role of Islam in France have been set up, but M had also taken over fish-rich Bouchet has declared that lakes and rivers. General elections could not be held, he racism in France must now be

> outcome. However, Prince Sihanouk smallest of the three factions said China had promised to continue to supply arms and final victory".



Prince Sihanouk pointing

noi insists that all troops withdrew last September. Vietnam invaded in 1978 to overthrow the genocidal, Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge. The Prince gave his usual

to Vietnamese zones

in the coalition resistance, the China cut off supplies to the communist Khmer Rouge, not le prince rose."

reply to international condemnation of his co-operation with the Khmer Rouge. He Khmer National Liberation cited several family members ammunition to the resistance Front, (KPNLF) about three who had died under their fourcoalition "until the day of our months ago, insisting that it year rule, and said: "I am not works more closely with the red, I am not even pink, I am

Six burnt alive in 'devil hunt' frenzy the fire after screaming in pain

POUR men and two women tortured to death, by villagers by the return from Tahiti of on a remote Polynesian atoll,

a court here has beard. Twenty-four men from east of Tahiti, went on trial this week accused of murdering the six in a frenzy of went beyond primary school, religious fanaticism on Sept- are all aged under 30 and ember 2 and 3, 1987.

The defendants are alleged to have acted under the in- had a criminal record and women preachers who claim- as completely same.

the island's mayor. Fifteen witnesses have been called to testify at the trial, Faaite, which lies 300 miles which opened on Monday and is expected to last two weeks.

The accused, none of whom earned their living by fishing. After that he was strangled farming or labouring. None and thrown into the flames. fluence of three itinerant psychiatrists described them alive into the flames, then

esses who visited Faaite in August and inflamed the inhabitants with fiery sermons urging the people to root out the devil from their village. The three priestesses left

Faaite on August 27. They will not face criminal charges and will give evidence only as witnesses.

The court heard that one man whom the villagers tried to exorcise was first blinded by

a crucifix driven into his eye. Another victim was thrown

for about two minutes, the court was told. The third to die was a

woman, Villagers decided she was possessed because she gave off a bad smell. She was plunged into the sea to be purified and allegedly died during the ceremony. Her son applauded as her body was thrown into the fire, the court heard.

The fourth victim, a man. was throttled to death, while the fifth was dragged by a rope round his neck for 200 yards before being thrown alive into the fire.

His wife was thrown alive into the flames.

neum, Signor Francesco Bu- When the Neapolitan cara- dadori monthly. once buried in the dust of turesque uniforms and with Yesuvius.

"I can tell you everything cycles. about these remains but I am not allowed to tell you where the treasures are kept - only criminals are allowed to know that," he says, using gestures even Romans find faintly

Less than a month after five men broke into Herculaneum and stole more than 200 priceless first-century AD bronzes, pieces of gold and silver, the Italian authorities are no nearer to finding out who committed the theft or where the treasures are.

neum, a veteran Neapolitan binieri, tall gentlemen in black Anyone brave enough to snow, printed the rows of excavated blame the Neapolitan police, carabinieri "nerve centre", Roman houses which were smaller men in less pic-

> Although the police in turn blamed the carabinieri, Signor Busone, like a true Neapolitan, exonerates both and blames Rome, a "city of paper shufflers", where honest work derision or intense melanis unknown.

Rome, rather the Ministry of Cultural Affairs, took a characteristically bureaucratic step when alerted to the theft - it opened an "emergency" telephone line for anyone with information leading to the systems have been frozen. recovery of the stolen treasure;

From Richard Bassett, Herculaneum

vigorously if belatedly estabslower cars and cheaper motor the theft, but an agreeable signora offering to deliver recovered. pasta at cut-price rates to foreigners.

In Naples the existence of a serious art-theft police squad in Rome is greeted with choly, depending on the time most of Herculaneum's stolen of day. Professor Baldassare Conticello, curator of the can be dispersed very slowly nearby Pompeii site, explains but very easily," says Dr Fabio that, despite a dramatic in-Apolloni, a leading art expert. crease in Italian art thefts, funds for effective security

recovery of the stolen treasure; but it was only yesterday that the number are recovery of the stolen treasure; but it was only yesterday that security personnel have been objects, which survived the For Signor Busone, such the number was published in run down. They are badly-horrors of Vesuvius, will ever

AT THE gates of Hercula- carabinieri is to be expected. Airone, the prestigious Mon- hardly surprising we have

Last year more than 12,000 sone, a vectorial to the confidence of the uniforms, were told of the uniforms, were told of the confidence of the uniforms, were told of the uniforms, were told of the confidence of the uniforms, were told of the uniforms 20 years, 240,000 pieces have lished last week to deal with gone the same way. Only a small percentage is ever "What are we to do here in

Naples? We are all in the hands of the Camorra," Signor Busone says, referring to the local mafia. Many Neapolitans believe treasure is still in Naples. "It

To the manifest grief of Signor Busone and many other Neapolitans, no one

group officially recognized by the Catholic Church. accused of being possessed of Four other people were due the devil were burnt alive, or to be similarly burnt on thrown into a fire after being September 4 but were saved

They are said to have been

progress on the part of the several art journals and paid, medicare people; it's be returned to Herculaneum. | matic Revival movement, a fanancized by three priest-guilt. He was thrown back into

pulled out after villagers had second thoughts about his



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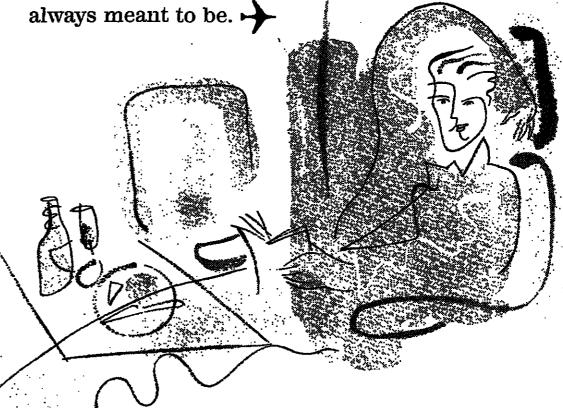
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NIGEL WILLIAMSON

ichael Heseltine has made some small concessions to Tory unity, but not enough either to silence his most vocal critics or, more importantly, to disappoint his supporters. After Sir Geof-frey Howe's plea that he declare his undying support for Mrs Thatcher, Heseltine duly trooped through the lobbies with his leader on Monday night for the key vote in support of John Major's first Budget. Nothing thusual in that, you might think — except that it was the first time Heseltine had voted with the Garagness since March 6 when with the Government since March 6, when he toed the party line against a Labour motion on interest rates. But two hours after his Budget vote, Heseltine was back to form, pointedly abstaining in the vote on poll tax transitional relief. But the Prime Minister must at least be relieved that Heseltine's loyalty statement on Monday fell short of a ringing personal endorsement. For her most



deadly rival to have come out with a eulogy at this stage would surely have invited comparisons with those football club chair-men whose pledges of faith in their managers invariably mean that the sack can be expected within 48 hours.

Tappear to have done an injustice to Michael Mates, one of Heseltine's lieutenants, when I suggested that he had not voted with the Government for three weeks. In fact, a flick through Hansard suggests that until Monday, Mates had not gone through the lobbies with his own front-bench since January. He too backed the Government on the Budget but absented himself from the poll tax vote.

Yet another Tory who failed to back the Government on poli tax relief was Robert Adley. Very public spirited of him, really, as he tells me that he and his wife qualify for transitional relief on their home in north Dorset, where their old rates bill totalled £229 and their poll tax demand comes in at £556. He says he is finally beginning to understand the Government's incomprehensible poll tax formulae: if you have the ability to pay, you qualify for instant relief.

hy, I wonder, did Kenneth Baker, the Tory party chairman, cancel his visit to Czeckoslovakia last weekend? He was going, presumably, to advise Czech free-marketeers on how to win elections. It would be mischievous to suggest that he would not have been taken sufficiently seriously after the Mid-Staffs disaster and with polls giving Labour a 28



point lead. Nor would I want to imply that Baker, who has been performing a fair imitation of the Dad's Army character who. runs around shouting "Don't panic", has stopped believing in his own exhortations. The official explanation is that in the short time available, Baker felt he could not "do justice" to his hosts.

ould it be mere coincidence that within a week of John Major's tax concessions on workplace nurseries, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the House, has announced that room might be found, after all, for childcare facilities at Westminster? It had previously been understood that plans for a crèche would have to await the completion of the new parliamentary buildings in Bridge Street, not due for some years. Yet Sir Geoffrey announced this week that "recent developments in analysing the use of accommodation in the House" had created "a fresh opportunity for reconsideration". The Commons services committee is now looking at the matter again and I am prepared to wager all my tax windfalls that it will come up with somewhere suitable.

¬ alking of tax, I see that after a decade of Conservative government, the business of avoidance, traditionally associated with the super-rich and City whizz-kids, has become ideologically sound on the left. A small ad in the latest Marxism Today promotes the services of a "Marxist chartered accountant" who, in return, no doubt, for a suitable spot of socialist redistribution, offers advice on how to hang on to the full fruits of one's labour, by hand or by brain, and avoid handing too much over to "Thatcher's taxmen".

All will suffer if Gorbachov strikes hen Mr Gorbachov Soviet republic demanded autonomy. With Lithuania's derepudiate Stalinism

and to replace it with glasnost and perestroika, there was a hope that he had turned his back on the use of force to achieve political ends. That interpretation of his mood was reinforced when he granted self-determ-ination to the satellite countries of Eastern Europe and approved their rapid move to freedom.

There were some, it is true, who had read their form-book and were sceptical. They argued that it was possible to reach the top of the greasy political pole in the Soviet Union only by supporting the party all the way up, and that Gorbachov had been tarnished in particular by his connivance in the invasion of Afghanistan. They thought that in the case of Eastern Europe, he would have to recognize Moscow's loss of power, but that he was likely to revert to type if any

mand for independence, the test of Mr Gorbachov's intentions seems to have arrived.

Lithuania and the other Baltic states, Latvia and Estonia, argue that because they were incorporated unwillingly into the Soviet Union as part of a shady wartime deal between Hitler and Stalin, they are entitled to their freedom. Gorbachov holds that they are constitutionally part of the Soviet Union, and that to threaten to secede is treachery. He recently said that force would not be used to contain them, but now he has sent troops to Lithuania to round up Red

Army deserters. It can be argued that Moscow is exercising a legal right in this limited action, but inevitably the cry is raised that Gorbachov is simply just another Stalin drunk with power. That he recently

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Mr Gorbachov would certainly do well to rethink his attitude to the republics. The origins of his reforms lay in the Soviet Union's economic plight, and the only chance of recovering solvency within an acceptable period of time seems to be by co-operating with the capital-ist nations and by making the colossal savings that are possible through a programme of demilitarization and mutual trust. It would surely be folly to throw such a chance away and to

resume military confrontation. Disarmament could be achieved without risk to the Soviet Union's security, for the purpose would be to reduce

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prospect at a time when the outlook for East and West is brightening would be an act of supreme folly, for which no statesman could be forgiven. For Mr Gorbachov, it would also entail throwing away his hardwon reputation as a conciliator, and it is profoundly to be hoped that wiser counsels will prevail. There is still time.

What constitutional settlement would be acceptable to both Lithuania and Moscow? Two possibilities are mooted. One is a confederal arrangement, which would involve only a few ties; the other is a relationship like that between the Soviet Union and Finland, which has forces and arms to a point at stood the test of time. In any

promise. At present, the situation looks horribly like that of the 1930s. Then the dearest wish of two small and independent countries, Holland and Belgium, was to live at peace with their powerful neighbour, Germany. Hitler bullied them and then occupied them by force.

As recent history has proved, freedom is heady wine, and the world has a right to expect that those who gain its privileges will use it wisely. In the case of the Baltic states, it is up to Mr Gorbachov to use his power with restraint and ensure an honourable settlement on which peace between neighbours can be built.

Events are moving so fast that it would be foolish to predict anything with certainty. It is probably premature, for example, to assume that the pressure to which I thursday is approach is ple, to assume that the pressure to which Lithuania is exposed is on.

It is difficult to imagine any

reaction by outsiders which would help the Lithuanians, and they will probably survive such tension fairly easily. If, however, Moscow's attitude becomes too overbearing, the best protection for the Baltic states might be the reaction of the Russians themselves as represented in their new parliament. Mr Gorbachov would not like censure from that quarter, perhaps even dismissal. for ignoring basic human rights.

Any such protest would be

reinforced by condemnation in the United Nations and elsewhere. That would be a sad end to Mr Gorbachov's short reign and a sorry outcome for the Soviet Union - as also for the prospects for East-West peace, Everybody must hope that Mr Gorbachov will put the brakes

Tony Travers examines the options open to the Tories—all of them expensive

See them buy their way out

out England and Wales, the Conservatives are desperately searching for a way to placate their backbenchers and stem the flood of voters switching to Labour. Can it be done? It can, and I think it will. But it will involve the unthinkable: an obvious change of heart by the Prime Minister.

With negotations about the 1991-92 local government finance settlement already under way, ministers have only a few months to remedy real or imagined unfairnesses and ease the burden on those who will have to pay substantially more than their rates.

The Government has a number of options. They are, briefly, to increase central government grants to local authorities; to transfer control and the financing of certain local services to Whitehall; to strengthen the transitional arrangements; to increase the scope and generosity of the benefit system; to relate the community charge to income

 Some Conservative MPs have extra £1 billion would mean that might also be needed. each adult would pay £28 less. • Stronger transitional arrangements? The "transitional relief"

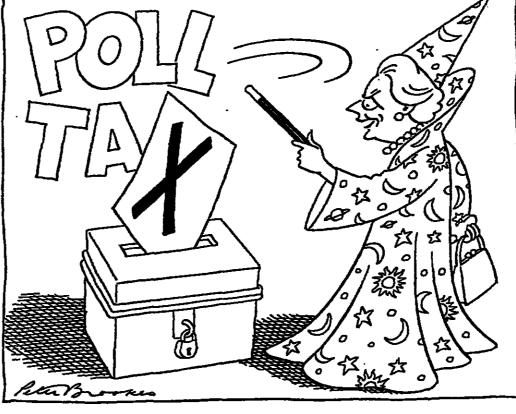
s the first poll tax bills are delivered through- money in through the grant system would not target those most in need of relief. Rich and poor, gainers and losers from the new system, all would receive a small share.

It would take £7 billion or more in additional grants in 1990-91 to ensure that the community charge bills of the millions of households living in small, predominantly terraced houses fall back to the level of their 1989-90 rates. By 1991-92, the cost to the Treasury would be even greater.

Other Tories advocate the removal of education, the police and fire services from local government finance. For every £1.5 billion of this expenditure transferred from local government to the Exchequer, the average community charge could be reduced by about £42, but income tax, which the Conservatives are pledged to cut still further, would have to be increased by 1p.

Transferring the financing of services to the centre would have a very similar effect to increasing necessary to decide whether control as well as finance should proposed additional grants as a move away from local governway to reduce poll tax bills. An ment. Additional legislation

charged at a flat rate, tipping announced by David Hunt at



last year's Conservative party conference was intended to restrict losses for households with one or two adults to £3 per week. However, this relief is fully effective only if councils spend no more than the Government budgeted for in its assumed community charge levels.
Furthermore, the relief is phased out over three years. Millions of local taxpayers face increases in 1990-91 of much more than £3

It would be possible, though costly, to make this transitional relief work in a way that limited local tax increases over 1989-90 bills to £3 per week, or even less, regardless of the council's spending. Such relief could be extended to all adults, not just couples, the disabled and pensioners, as at present. Unlike simply increasing grants or transferring services from local

to central government, the extension of transitional relief would target the money and so cost far less.

● Extra support could also be targeted, though less efficiently, by extending the scope and generosity of the benefit system. Several changes to this system might be considered. The minimum community charge payment could be reduced from 20 to 10 per cent of local tax. This, however, would assist only the very poor, and given that the Government's primary political objective is to reduce the poll tax for floating voters, it would prefer to help households with incomes nearer to the national

At present, a couple with two children will receive no benefit if its net income reaches about £9,000-9,500. If this ceiling were raised - say to £12,000 or even

more - many more people would qualify for support.
Another popular, though expensive, move would be to allow husbands and wives to be treated separately for the purposes of community charge benefits. By extending these benefits, how-ever, the Government would considerably increase the number of people dependent on

social security.

• If the Government decided that more radical change should be introduced, it would be possible to link community charge payments to ability to pay. As at present, no one would pay less than, say, 20 per cent. Thereafter, individuals would pay proportions of a full charge (or even multiples of a charge), depending on bands of income. Such a banded community charge was proposed by the Tory backbencher Michael Mates during the passage of the poll tax legislation, when it was rejected by only 25 votes. This suggests that there was, and presumably still is, considerable backbeach support for the idea.

• Finally, the Government could resort to capping most or all authorities. On average, I per cent off local spending would reduce the charge by 3 or 4 per cent. To reduce the total community charge bill to the £10 billion planned by the Government, it would be necessary to cut about 7 per cent in cash from 1990 local budgets. Seven per cent reductions would mean cuts of closer to 15 per cent in real terms, which would be without historical precedent.

A more likely version of capping would involve one or other of the options discussed above - extra grant or more effective transitional relief coupled with general capping. Indeed, if the Government were to decide to put in any sizeable sum of extra support, by whatever means, widespread capping would be necessary if councils were to be prevented from simply spending much or all of the extra money, rather than passing it on in the form of lower community charges.

None of the options examined here is particularly appealing to the Government. To be effective, each would probably cost the Exchequer billions of pounds. Further reforms in 1991-92 would involve further turmoil, and would grossly distort the accountability which the new system was designed to achieve. Nevertheless, to government strategists, the cost to the Exchequer and the distortion of accountability may appear small prices to pay to neutralize of the charge as it stands. However difficult it proves, the Government will have to find a way to buy itself out of the poll tax debacie.

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How the Hungarians could leave us behind

Woodrow Wyatt returns, impressed, from Sunday's general election he primary school for 1,200 children aged eight to 14 was modern, spacious and apparently well equipped. It was in Szekesfehervar (population 110,000), an industrial town with an old centre 90 minutes' drive from Budapest. The arrangements for the electorate.

turning the school into a polling station on Sunday made me feel I was in England.
Outside, departing voters were at first reluctant to say how they had voted. "The ballot is secret," they repeated with an element of pride, clearly indicating it was different from previous general elections in which the Communists achieved a 99 per cent vote. Then they began to thaw, freely speaking of their new

political allegiances. The main parties had, responsibly, promised not quick prosperity but hardship and unemployment for up to 10 years during the transition from allpervading state socialism to either total free enterprise or one-third public ownership. This most accepted as the price of freedom, with the expected material rewards to come later. The only impractical party is the Independent Smallholders, which promised to return to the

original owners land confiscated in 1947 - an impossible legal nightmare. Its lower-than-forecast 13 per cent of the vote showed remarkable maturity in

Inside the polling station, the local party leaders thought it undemocratic to ask how people had voted. One, a student and local champion of the Young Democrats, argued in a friendly manner with a 30-year-old chemical engineer representing the Free Democrats (the most Thatcherite of the parties). Youth is in the ascendant, vigorously rejecting those associated with the recent hated past.

Thirty miles on, I visited Vertesacsa, an agricultural village of 1,000 people, where the polling station was in the small building of the local council, still dominated by Communist officials. Their reaction was distinctly cagey. It was otherwise in the equivalent of a pub. I augmented the merry atmosphere by standing drinks, assisting one or two to fresh heights of drunkenness. One had Pepsi with a tumbler of brandy large enough to obliterate most English pub habitués. His double drink cost only 36p, but this must be set against the average wage of about £20 a week.

Most had voted for the strongly free-enterprise Free Demo-crats or Democratic Forum. The large local co-operative farm was described as "dirt". Its communist president draws an annual dividend on top of his salary, which is 10 times larger than the others'. This man is for the immediate chop. Meanwhile, members cheat the co-operative by selling as much produce as they can on the black market. Nearly all in the pub were

young. One, unemployed but surviving deviously, said he would not vote for anyone until prices came down. They have risen by more than 50 per cent in the past three years and go on rising - on top of the newly introduced income tax. However, there is plenty of good and, by our standards, very cheap food, and I saw no sign of undernourishment. Nearby was a magnificent arboretum with many specimens planted, and still labelled, by a Habsburg archduke. The stonework and

bricks of his grand house were removed by the peasants in 1947, leaving only the noble colonnaded facade. The peasants were urged on by the com-munists, who said it was the only way to prevent the aristocrats returning. Peasants are now urbanized, with motorbikes and

Count Bethlen, of the family of an interwar prime minister, is sixth on the national list for the Democratic Forum. (Only 176 of the 386 MPs will be elected in individual constituencies, the rest by area and national lists.) Though he describes himself as Count on his visiting card, he will not use the title until the elections are over, by when he is almost certain to be in parliament. So will a few other former aristocrats.

Despite the mutual insults between the Free Democrats and the Democratic Forum, the front-runners in the second round of the election, on April 8, they will be the basis of a coalition government. For an absolute majority, they will need the backing of a few of the tiddlers, but they will have no

reformed Communist Party, which has too few votes to get any MPs, or with the new Socialist Party built from the ruins of the old Communist Party. The latter got a larger than expected share of the vote (10.65 per cent) and contains three exceptionally able men: the prime minister, his foreign secretary, and Imre Pozseay, leader of the 1989 reforms. It is a pity they will be unable to contribute their experience and admiristrative capability to the new

truck with either the

government. But they knew that the democracy they created would demolish them, and they accept it with good grace.
The plight of the 2.5 million
Hungarians in Transylvania has not been an election issue. All parties agree to fight for their human rights but without demanding frontier revision. Concern mounts with the violent attacks on Hungarians, particu-larly that on Andra Sutos, a

famous playwright and writer

who lives in Transylvania.

When I was in Budapest, Sutos

was in a nearby hospital, criti-

cally ill. Extremist Romanians

had poked out an eye, cracked his skull and broken three ribs. Unlike most Hungarian opinion-leaders, I am optimistic that it will not take five or 10 years for Hungary to become a successful enterprise economy. Already many entrepreneurs are becoming rich, with fine new houses on the Buda hills; one has a belicopter. They create wealth for the whole country. Hungar-ians at every level will soon learn how to make private enterprise nationally successful.

There is even a serious plan to turn a huge waste area on the Danube into a free port, with accommodation for 25,000 Hong Kong families with their businesses and factories. They would have the same low taxation system as in Hong Kong. Their wealth expansion would be an enormous uplift. The outgoing communist government backed this scheme, on which purposeful talks have begun. The leaders of the new coalition government are also enthusiastic. One entrepreneur to whom I showed my HK\$8 watch, which looks worth £400, glowed at the export prospect, Hungary, less afraid of original ideas than we, could take away opportunities from Britain before long

EACH year, as sure as Trooping the Colour, every journalist of any note visits Mr Kingsley Amis, just to check that he is still the same. For his part, tweeded and whisky-bearing, Mr Amis duti-fully harumphs his way through a medley of his views, every now and then scowling or grunting or going pop-cyed. Like youngsters around a scratchy old jukebox, the journalists punch the right buttons for all those well-loved opinions. Actors? "Stupid and ignorant." Psychiatrists? "Bloody hopeless." Labour Party? "Don't

trust 'em." Novels? "Don't read

'em." Newsreaders? "Another

lazy breed, like actors." Bop! Bop!

Bop! A hit every time! Now that the journalist has departed, notebook chock-ablock, let us spy through Mr Amis's keyhole. I rather fancy we will find him changing from his tweeds back into his flares and his

The case for character study

"Hendrix Lives" T-shirt, whisking a jazz album from behind the sofa, pouring himself a vodkaand-Pepsi and getting stuck into the new Thomas Pynchon. The writer who behaves like his

characters, at least in public, is a popular figure. That is why journalists seem somewhat disappointed after interviewing Mr Amis's son, Martin. From his books, they have come to expect a hawking, burping, lager-popping monster, bragging of last night's conquest while flicking dried biryani off his chin with a used fiver. Instead, they find a cultured family man, self-contained, articulate and somewhat distant.

There is nothing more reassur-

ing for readers everywhere than a writer who behaves in the manner expected. Tales of Evelyn Waugh's rudeness now seem to be more popular than his novels. For instance, when entertaining the producers of the Face to Face television programme at Combe Florey, he brilliantly put them off their ease by serving fresh strawberries with the stalks on, smothered in cream, without spoons or forks. This, he correctly surmised. amounted to an insuperable challenge to even the most devoted student of etiquette.

ways. Siegfried Sassoon recalled inviting the great Rouald Firbank

Brown Other novelists have reflected the tone of their novels in other



to tea in Oxford, and desperately tried to get him to talk about literature. Eventually Firbank, silent until then, powdered and nervous, ignoring all offers of crumpets, announced, "I adore

italics, don't you?", after which, recorded Sassoon, "As a gesture of politeness, he slowly absorbed a single grape."

In my own limited experience,
I have found most novelists only

too happy to conform to one's idea of them. I once glimpsed Graham Greene while I was making a telephone call at the Ritz. I raced after him through the side door with a view to trailing him, but could see him nowhere. He had vanished, in the approved manner of one of his heroes. My single meeting with Anthony Burgess was largely devoted to his telling me about autophagy, the delicate art of eating oneself, and he spent some

skilled surgeon stranded on a desert island could survive with nothing but himself and his medical equipment to satisfy his

Having invited myself to stay I reland with the comic novelist J.P. Donleavy, I was in bed reading his humorous eviquene book. The Unexpurgated Code, and came to a section entitled "Upon Shortening a Guest's Stay in a Country House" which lists new tasks for each fresh day in an ascending scale of awfulness. Under "Overnight Stay" came "Weeding in the Rose Gardens". At breakfast, Donleavy asked whether I would mind awfully doing a spot of weeding - in the rose gardens.

In future, publishers should insist that their writers take a course at drama school before appearing in public. Book sales can be harmed grievously if it is discovered that the curmudgeon is affable, the polymath mono-syllabic, the thriller writer a nervous wreck, the master of scifi a stay-at-home, the bodice-But some writers, however

famous, will always refuse to conform. Which poet, after all, began an autobiographical reminiscence with the sentence, "The happiest day of my life was the day I won the school steeplechase, two and a half miles across country, at Winchester? Answer: the elderly Lord Alfred Douglas. Such a revelation from someone of his reputation can only be described as shocking.



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STILL ON GUARD

When the Lithuanian President, Mr Vytautas Landsbergis, reproached the West in broken but eloquent English yesterday, many who heard him must have blushed with shame. Others may denounce Mr Landsbergis and his country for selfish impatience; not a few must fear that Lithuania may have lifted Mr Gorbachov's mask. As tension in the Baltic states shows no sign of abating, unease is spreading through the governments of Europe and America. The crisis is a timely warning to the West not to drop its guard.

There is no excuse for surprise. The occupation of the Communist Party's buildings in Vilnius and the brutal seizure of young conscientious objectors by Soviet paratroopers followed immediately President Gorbachov's refusal, in conversation with Senator Kennedy on Monday, to exclude the use of force "if lives were threatened". This was one of the less inscrutable remarks of a Soviet leadership that has recently reverted to traditional Kremlin

Diplomatic activity between Moscow and Washington is intense but, so far, inconclusive. The European Community is tamely allowing the United States to take the lead; but the State Department is almost as cautious. Messrs Baker and Shevardnadze are still due to meet next week, while a Bush-Gorbachov June summit is still the prime event in the Washington summer.

Meanwhile the vice is closing on the Baltic states. Alongside displays of brute force, Moscow is playing on the sense of isolation felt in Vilnius. Soviet leaflets scattered over Lithuania mock the population's high hopes of international solidarity, taunting: "Where is the promised recognition of Lithuania's sov-

ereignty by the world?" Has the West been weighed and found wanting? The outbreak of self-congratulation which followed the liberation of Eastern Europe may with hindsight come to resemble Belshazzar's feast. If Britain wishes to escape the fate of Babylon, the Government should at least take account of Lithuania's lessons in the Defence White Paper, due to be published next

week. The so-called peace dividend, much heralded in recent months, now looks as though it will have to be ploughed back into the firm. That is not to deny that considerable savings can and should be made. There is never a bad time to review the functions of Nato land forces in central Europe, including the British Army of the Rhine. Now remains a

A new generation of land-based short-range nuclear weapons may be superfluous. So too may the new battle tank. British troop levels in Germany may be reduced by about one brigade in accordance with the forthcoming treaty on conventional forces in Europe. Capital-intensive joint projects like the European Fighter Aircraft may have to be cancelled, because a united Germany will be short of cash and under strong domestic pressure to disarm. Herr Kohl's Government is already cutting the Bundeswehr's combat strength by one fifth.

Yet despite all this, the continuing need for effective strategic deterrence has never been more clearly demonstrated. Suggestions that Britain might reduce the four Trident nuclear submarines to three - thereby risking the possibility that none of them might be on patrol in a sudden crisis - should be questioned. If a nuclear deterrent is worth having at all, it must be permanently available.

The Soviet forces are still deploying ever more sophisticated technologies and strategies. There is little evidence so far that the past priority given to unambiguously offensive formations, such as the spetsnaz special purpose units, has shifted to defensive forces, as Mr Gorbachov has often promised.

This is not a time for hawkish gestures. which might be misinterpreted in Moscow. The West is still right in giving Mr Gorbachov the benefit of the doubt as a sincere reformer of one of modern history's most odious dictatorships. Such reform was never going to be easy or quick. But it would not be right to relax Britain's and Nato's guard until the likely course of events inside the Soviet Union has become clear.

GREEN IS MY FACTORY

The clearest sign that the environment has moved from the fringe to the mainstream of European politics is the relative decline of "green" political parties. As environmental stewardship has become a standard item in the political wardrobe, the main parties have stolen the minor parties' clothes, a thoroughly healthy paradox.

The difficult task now begins of translating worthy clichés such as "sustainable dev-clopment" into business. Mr Christopher Patten vesterday indicated his enthusiasm for "green accounting", which treats man-made and "natural" capital as measurable assets and prices the environment accordingly. He has appointed its principal British advocate. Professor David Pearce, as his special adviser. Because green accounting works through and with markets to make consumption and production more environmentally benign, the concent is considered tailor-made for Conservatives. Given the present state of the opinion polls, it had better be tailor-made for everybody else as well.

In political terms, this involves striking a balance between regulation, incentives (including differential taxation) and reliance on the enlightened self-interest of the marketplace. Carried to its logical conclusion, green accounting would involve a huge legislative programme and small armies of assessors and regulators, goading and cajoling the free market into realizing the long-term selfinterest of global awareness.

us behind

A shorter, and less centralist, way forward is for individual companies to adopt the related concept of the "green audit". Here, companies subject themselves to examination by a range of criteria, including the ecological acceptability of their products, the rising difficulty and costs of waste disposal, energy efficiency and sensitivity to legislative trends at national and European Community levels. Such audits are also intended to make businessmen and their employees more conscious of the external costs their behaviour imposes on the community, on the reasonable assumption that awareness is the first step to correction. Businessmen are

motivated not just by Mammon, marketing and the clamour of shareholders, but by pride in their products or services and a desire to do well by the community.

That said, green auditing means trade-offs. The infant science has already spawned such inelegant acronyms as BATNEEC ("best available technology not entailing excessive cost") and BPEO ("best practicable environmental option"). Such concepts will not satisfy dark greens, but they represent a commitment to look closely at the cost-benefit ratios of energy efficiency, waste recycling, and switches to renewable sources of materials.

The value of green auditing, Mr Patten rightly pointed out, is "directly proportionate to the strength of the company's positive commitment to the outcome". To be effective, it has to be regular, independent, open to public scrutiny, and used not just as a set of technical standards but as a serious management tool. Nor will such audit pass muster unless it applies from "cradle to grave", green in choice (and mix) of materials, manufacturing processes, packaging and suitability for recycling. Mr Patten's promise to introduce a green labelling scheme for environmentally benign products by the end of 1991 should focus everybody's attention on these prin-

British industry still tends to be reactive, even negative, in this matter. There are green worlds to conquer out there, for instance a market in pollution abatement and green technology already worth an estimated £100 billion. The minister warned his audience of industrialists that Britain, while providing world-class environmental consultants, is losing market share in products.

Even on the home front, there is money to be made from the treatment and recycling of waste, from energy-conserving technology and the development of environmentally friendly materials - as the highly competitive food industry is already discovering. Green auditing is a necessary, but not a sufficient, marketplace

SPOTLIGHT ON DISABILITY

Britain won a respectable share of Oscars in Los Angeles this week including those for the best film actor, Mr Daniel Day-Lewis, and best actress Miss Jessica Tandy who, though now a citizen of the United States, was born in London 80 years ago. All those who left clutching golden statuettes should be congratulated on their triumph. It is gratifying for the arts in Britain and Ireland that so many awards have once more crossed the Atlantic.

The most remarkable achievement, however, was that of Mr Day-Lewis who played the late Mr Christy Brown, the paralysed Dublin writer, in the film directed in Ireland My Left Foot. The actor spent months copying Christy Brown who, though able to control only his left foot, learnt to type and paint with conspicuous success. He follows Mr John Hurt in The Elephant Man and Mr Dustin Hoffman in Rain Man, who also portrayed disability on the screen with dignity and compassion.

That has not allowed the film to escape criticism. Speaking before the Oscar announcement, the actor Mr Nabil Shaban, who is himself confined to a wheelchair, complained in a radio interview this week that a disabled man should have played the leading role.

The actors' union Equity opened a register of disabled actors and actresses two years ago. It now contains more than 90 names which Equity, very properly, tries to bring to the notice of all casting directors. They include actors who are blind or partially-sighted and those who suffer from multiple sclerosis or cerebral palsy. Some have struggled against disability since birth while others have been more recently afflicted. All are fighting to make a career for themselves in a profession which is notoriously overcrowded. Of the 40,000 people on Equity's books, 80 per cent are unemployed at any one time.

Many must have been inspired by the totally deaf actress, Miss Elizabeth Quinn, who was named actress of the year in 1981 for her part in Children of a Lesser God and went on to play, less successfully, Hedda Gabler. Another minority group, black or Asian actors and actresses, of whom there are nearly 1,000 in Britain, is increasingly winning parts on stage

Ma Rainey's Black Bottom which opened at the National Theatre last October showed a troupe of them in magnificent form. More roles are being written for such actors, as scriptwriters reflect the changing British scene. Shakespearean producers, moreover, are now turning to black actors for Othello.

It is hard to make a convincing case, however, for policies of precision casting at all times. Actors make their living by playing other people, of varying colour, character and creed. Few could fault the playing of Gandhi by Ben Kingsley - though that casting too had its. critics at the time. To carry the case to ludicrous conclusions, one would not feel obliged to hire a criminal to act the part of a gangster or mass murderer.

The economics of the cinema or theatre are such that few directors can take risks. They have to choose the best player for each part. They should be encouraged to consider the disabled - and all other minorities who might feel disadvantaged - because the person they seek might be among them. In the case of My Left Foot, the Oscar judgement suggests that the casting director made a shrewd choice.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Barriers to growth in the economy Disadvantages of electric cars

From Mr Paul Derrick

Sir, Peter Jay should realise that the main reason for recurrent

inflation in the post-war years is

the problem of devising an in-comes policy which will be ac-cepted as applying fairly to all

As the National Economic Dev-

elopment Council said in April,

1963, "a policy for prices and

money incomes can only succeed if those concerned are convinced

that restraint by one section of the

community will not merely result

That is to say the incomes

problem cannot be solved unless the ownership question is tackled. The Labour Party talks about

in gains by other sections".

Yours faithfully,

PAUL DERRICK.

Robert Owen Association,

was any rise in prices, whether

resulting from the law of supply

and demand, or from a rise in

interest rates or excise duties, or

from transferring the cost of water, electricity, rail transport etc., from

the tax-payer to consumers and users. The retail price index lends

a spurious sanction to this practice.

not in themselves inflationary, nor

do they have any bearing on the problem of inflation. Properly

understood, inflation is a sus-

tained and progressive increase in

the quantity of money in propor-

tion to buying power: it is a mon-

etary problem and it can only be

caused, as it can only be cured, by

the currency-issuing authority, which in Britain is the Government.

Labour leaders will not earn the

respect of voters if they continue

deliberately to obfuscate this is-sue. Mr Kinnock, for example,

claims that high interest rates cause inflation. Does he really believe that? Most people know

from their own experience that they choke off demand for credit

I would like to have the

Cardinal's answer to the following

were discovered. Drug A enhanced the efficiency of this natural mechanism for the

elimination of abnormal embryos,

thus ensuring that no more

Down's Syndrome babies were

born. Drug B reduced the eff-iciency of the elimination process,

with the result that three times the

present incidence of Down's ba-

bies were born. Which drug would

he recommend should be used?

University College London,

The Galton Laboratory,

Department of Genetics

4 Stephenson Way, NW1.

School uniforms

From Mrs G. R. R. Treasure

Sir, In her discussion of school

uniforms (March 21), Libby

itive benefits of a uniform which I

am all too aware of, having

attended a non-uniform school in

New York City. Uniforms cut out

the daily need to follow rapidly

changing teenage fashion at great expense of both time and money. There is no need to think in the

morning and try on endless

clothes, as my friends and I certainly did, before plunging into

But more important by far,

uniform is a great leveller between

rich and poor. Especially in a

town, anti-social or delinquent schoolchildren are identified with

their schools which, at best, is an

incentive to good behaviour and,

Purves fails to consider the pos

Yours sincerely,

L.E. LUSH,

and Biometry,

Wolfson House,

the rush-hour.

and encourage saving.

Yours faithfully, STEPHEN GARVIN,

Wadhurst, East Sussex.

Little Bricklehurst,

March 24.

However, such price rises are

From Mr Peter Fells
Sir, There is no great mystery
about the cause of Britain's poor post-war economic performance (Mr Jay's article in your March 22 issue). It is only too typical of economies plagued by restrictive labour practices, which strangle economic growth in three ways.

First, there is a reduction of efficiency through misallocation of resources. Secondly, management attention is preoccupied with the circumvention of "Spanish practices" to the detiment of productivity improvement. Thirdly ductivity improvement. Thirdly, the rate of wage increase (the "going rate") becomes excessive at much lower levels of unemployment than in a free market, so the government of the day is obliged to shuttle policy uncomfortably between the creation of un-acceptably high unemployment to quell inflation and unacceptably high level of inflation associated with "full employment".

Faced with this dilemma, most post-war British governments have resorted to appeasement (known more politely as "incomes policy"). Attacking symptoms rather than causes, this approach codifies rigidities and comes perilously close to the infringement of individual liberties associated with a corporatist state; it offers in any event only a temporary pal-

The other approach is, first, to provide a legal and security frame-work within which union power can be confronted; and secondly, to mitigate the unpleasant consequences, ranging from inconvenience through emotional black-mail to violence, to which major disputes will give tise. Each confrontation will generate its own mix of challenges, which the authorities must carefully prepare

To its credit the Thatcher Government provided the framework for management to "take on" the notoriously restrictive coal miners' and print workers' unions. Subsequently both in-dustries have recorded startling increases in productivity. Unfortunately, the same Government's resolution faltered during last year's rail strikes; inconvenience for the London commuter was apparently less tolerable than violence and extreme hardship in the coalfields. We are now reaping the consequences. Yours faithfully, PETER FELLS.

Embryo research

Nether House,

75 Storth Lane,

March 23...

Sheffield, Yorkshire.

From Dr I. E. Lush Sir. I found one argument in Cardinal Hume's article (March 16) rather hard to understand. Referring to fertilised eggs which fail to develop, he wrote, "Nature's prodigality provides no moral justification for a human decision to destroy".

It is true that as many as 40 per cent of fertilised eggs fail to complete the early stages of preg-nancy, but it is misleading to describe this as prodigality. In fact, it is nature's way of selectively eliminating most of those conceptuses which are chromosomally abnormal - for example those with trisomy-21 (Down's Syndrome). But presumably Cardinal Hume considers these embryos to be as fully human as an embryo with normal chromosomes.

Teaching of science

From Dr Josephine Peach Sir, So, the Department of Education and Science (report, March 24) is to pay £2.2 million to Saatchi and Saatchi to recruit students, especially in mathematics and the sciences, into teaching. At the same time, the Secretary of State for Education and Science is considering stopping the three-sciences option under the Nat-ional Curriculum, so that no new science teacher will be able to teach his or her chosen subject at GCSE level - surely a deterrent for this recruitment drive.

Would it not be sensible to leave the three-sciences option open? It would encourage graduates to take up teaching, keep the brightest of our young scientists challenged and interested, and might even save money on a future advertising campaign. Yours faithfully,

JOSEPHINE PEACH, Somerville College, Oxford.

God and Mammon From the Archdeacon of

West Ham
Sir, Clifford Longley writes (article, March 17) "of real questions vital to real people" in his request to the Archbishop of Canterbury for a Faith in THE City report. In Docklands real questions vital to real people are being asked by the residents of Wapping, Isle of Dogs, Custom House and Surrey Docks about the massive City business and commercial developments in their communities which are blurring the boundary between the City and London's East End.

Because of this the London Churches Docklands' Group is preparing ecumenical material for discussion groups in their churches to reflect on the economy and social justice in the light of the Christian faith and the Bible. These groups will set one agenda for a series of seminars we are organizing in Lent, 1991, for City businessmen, bankers, developers, etc., on the theme, "City of God or City of Mammon?".

at worst, a help to the police. Yours faithfully, MELISA TREASURE 57 The High Street, Harrow on the Hill, Middlesex. March 22.

Our working group believe Clif-ford Longley is right when he com-ments, "some businessmen live with the dread they have sold their souls to gain this world", but equally we believe some East Enders live with the dread that they could be "sold down the river" for the sake of commercial

The London Churches' Docklands Group does not want to deny the importance of wealth creation or some of the real improvements we have seen in Docklands, but we do want the voices of local Christians, as well as industrialists and theologians, to be heard as the ethics of wealth creation and the question, "What are we here for?" are debated in the 1990s. Yours faithfully

ROGER F. SAINSBURY (Chairman), London Churches' Docklands Working Group, 15 Wallenger Avenue, Romford, Essex.

From Mr H. J. C. Weighell Sir, Today's Times (March 20) shows a picture of Mr Cecil Parkinson being wooed by Gen-eral Motors to praise the electric car. Little attention has been paid to electric cars' disadvantages. They have two virtues: they are quiet and do not emit carbon dioxide or other well-known pollutants. Like the electric milk float, these features should endear them to residents of busy streets. Their less desirable features are

many. Electric cars run on electricity produced in power stations, mostly generated from fossil fuels or nuclear energy, whose emis-sions are no more acceptable than those from internal combustionengined road vehicles.

"common ownership", the Liberal Party about co-ownership and the Conservatives about partnership Furthermore, much more fuel in industry and a property-owning would have to be burned at the democracy. But they do not develop a system of industrial ownership which will ensure a fair power station for the same amount of useful work on the road, since the overall system distribution of company earnings. efficiency is much lower. Internal combustion-engined vehicles typically turn 25 per cent to 30 per cent of the energy in petrol into useful work on the road. The GM 30 Wandsworth Bridge Road, SW8. claim of "running efficiency of about 94 per cent" does not From Mr Stephen Garvin
Sir, The word "inflation" is freely include the substantial losses incurred elsewhere. bandied about as, if its meaning

Fossil-fuelled power stations run a ca. 33 per cent efficiency converting fuel to electrical power. Before this power can be used on the road some is lost in line transmission to the charging point, more in charging and storage losses in the batteries, more still in the motor and controls and still more in the mechanical transmission and rolling resistance of the heavier electric car.

We must also consider how the remaining energy is used. The

weight of the battery-powered vehicle (GM: "32 lead acid bat-teries" in what appears to be a two-seater car) when compared with its petrol counterpart is much greater. As fuel consumption is approximately proportionate to the gross weight of the vehicle and its passenger load, so the work done in the electric car to carry its passengers is proportionately higher than in the lighter petrol car. Moreover, electric vehicles use more material, and more expensive materials, such as lead and copper, than does an internal combustion-engined car.

A modest family car needs a heater of about 6 kilowatts, the heat coming from the engine cooling system recovering some of the heat which would otherwise be dissipated by the radiator. In the electric car only a little heat can be recovered from cooling the motor so this has to be supplemented by an electric heater using some of the electricity stored in the batteries and, in winter, probably reducing the claimed mileage by a third.

The electric vehicle should never be thought of as the solution to our national or global energy, environmental or transport problems. Exciting developments of the internal combustion engine are just around the corner and it is these which will make the most useful contribution to the reduction of pollution and saving of fuel and raw materials in the transport

Yours faithfully, H. J. C. WEIGHELL. (Proprietor), M & E Consultants, The Glebe House, 21 Cloister Way, Learnington Spa, Warwickshire, March 20.

Poll tax disquiet From Sir Malby Crofton

Sir. The Government must have realised by now that, if both it and the poll tax are to survive, the latter requires radical reform. The case against the tax is that it is regressive and hence unfair; its merits are clarity and accountability. The Government has to minimise the one and maximise the other.

First, the rate of charge is far too high. There is at least an arguable case for a universal flat-rate charge for some local services - for example, cleaning, lighting, refuse, roads, even police and fire - if the rate is low enough. It is the major social services of education and community care which, even at only 25 per cent of total cost, are largely inappropriate for regres-

I suggest, therefore, that the target charge for 1990-91 is set at no more than £200; and that the salaries of teachers and social workers (on a fixed establishment) be reimbursed to each authority on application. The main cost of these services would therefore be excluded from the local charge, leaving the school buildings, equipment, homes, etc., only

Second, charge-capping, which

is a counsel of despair and panic, should be abandoned. The problem of profligacy should be tackled from the other end - i.e., by introducing an efficiency grant to be passed on to charge-payers as a separate item deductible from the poll tax demand - and clearly shown as such on the demand note.

This grant would be related directly to the standard spending assessment; the nearer the charge to the SSA, the more the grant, In this way the efficiency grant would become a lever to jack the average charge downwards in a virtuous circle, and would point up the profligate or incompetent coun-

Some authorities might even be able to get their net payable charge below £100, thus extending the the "baddies".

The SSAs themselves are riddled with anomalies. I suggest that the district auditor service be extended and strengthened, in order to determine each SSA individually each year using the department's guidelines and in consultation with each authority. Yours faithfully

MALBY CROFTON. 12 Caithness Road, W14. March 22.

Writing on the wall

From Dr R. W. K. Reeves Sir, The farm workers on Paul Heiney's farm (Review, March 17) neatly carved their initials on the barn wall, the earliest being A. J. P. who inscribed his in 1867. How long has this practice been known to exist?

W. P. in 1766, amongst others, carved his initials on the barn wall in my garden here. What he would have made of modern farming methods I cannot tell, but I am sure if W. P. returned today, he would have difficulty in finding his way across the rolling wheat fields to the village pub.

Some of your readers who live on farms or amongst farm buildings, probably have much earlier initials and dates and it would be interesting to know the earliest recorded initials and date which are still legible. Yours faithfully

ROBERT REEVES, Little Chalfield, Melksham, Wiltshire. March 21.

Nursing home aid

From Mr R. G. Morgan
Sir, You report (March 19) that
the Government is considering paying an allowance of £100 a week to encourage families to care for the old and disabled at home rather than raise income-support levels for those in residential and nursing homes.

An allowance for carers is overdue and much to be applauded, but it cannot cover the needs of those who simply have to be in nursing home accommodation.

To quote just one real case — a lady of 93, bedridden and needing 24-hour skilled care, which she is receiving in a nursing home at some £75 a week above the Government's maximum figure.

In a few months' time her capital will be exhausted. She had four children, one of whom is dead, and the other three are all themselves pensioners and into the middle sixties. Yours faithfully, R. G. MORGÁN.

73 Brangwyn Drive, Brighton, Sussex. March 22.

Letters to the Editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number (01)782 5046.

South Bank concerts

From the Managing Director of the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra Sir, Your leading article of March 24 accuses the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra of moving downmarket and suggests that this could be the reason why we have not applied for selection as the South Bank's resident orchestra.

As we made clear at the time. the prospect of an endless struggle for control with the South Bank's ambitious management and the determination of the members of the RPO to retain their independence made it impossible for us to apply for the residency. Additionally, the RPO gives as many concerts outside London as it does in the capital and we have no desire to reduce that commitment.

While the LPO and Philharmonia scramble around desperately looking for a music director, the Royal Philharmonic have just commenced the fourth year of their association with Vladimir Ashkenazy, which has brought about the most successful era of the orchestra's history since the death of Sir Thomas Beecham. If our recent series of Shostako-vich and Richard Strauss concerts, as well as our leading participation in the current "Max - The Music of Peter Maxwell Davies", mean that the RPO are moving downmarket, then we happily plead guilty. Yours faithfully,

IAN MACLAY, Managing Director, Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, 16 Clerkenwell Green, EC1. March 26.

Into the blue yonder From Mr Christopher Kaye Sir, Should we take the formation

of a giant "T" which you report (March 26) the Red Arrows will be introducing this summer as the first welcome sign of imagination and a much needed improvement in the Conservative's presentation?

If so, the airmen will have to be careful to fly straight and level; as deviation to left or right would be misunderstood, a steep upwards climb might never end and a dive might be disastrous. Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER KAYE, The Brook Cottage, West Kington. Chippenham, Wiltshire.

March 26.



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE farch 27: The Queen held an Investiture at Buckingham

Palace this morning.

The Right Hon Margaret
Thatcher, MP (Prime Minister
and First Lord of the Treasury)
had an audience of Her Majesty

The Hon Mary Morrison has succeeded the Lady Susan Hussey as Lady in Waiting to

CLARENCE HOUSE March 27: The Lady Elizabeth Basset has succeeded The Lady Angela Oswald as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The

KENSINGTON PALACE March 27: The Prince of Wales, President, International Council of United World Colleges, attended the lith meeting of the International Council in Duino,

Sir John Riddell, Bt, Mr Peter Westmacott, Mr Richard Arbiter and Surgeon Captain Anthony Osborne were in

The Princess of Wales, Patron, English National Baller, attended the Company's 40th Anniversary Gala at the Royal Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, Mrs James Lonsdale and

Lieutenant-Commander Patrick

Jephson, RN, were in The Prince and Princess of Wales were represented by Mr Angus Stirling at the memorial service for Miss Else Mayer-Lismann which was held at St

Queen Ingrid of Denmark cele brates her birthday today.

Paul's Church, Covent Garden.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr C.E.M. Dymoke and Miss K.J. Topham

The engagement is announced between Charles, youngest son of Lt Colonel and Mrs John Dymoke, of Scrivelsby, Lincolnshire, and Kathryn, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Rex Topham, of Otford, Kent.

Mr J. Birkmyre and Miss L. Lyon

The engagement is announced between James, son of Mr and Mrs Archibald Birkmyre, of The Old Presbytery, Buckland, Oxfordshire, and Leslie, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs Richard Lyon, of Seal Beach, California.

Mr O.D.R. Butt and Signorina M.C.L. Corazza between Oliver, elder son of Mr and Mrs Ronald Butt, of Highgate, London, and Mariachiara, daughter of Dottore and Signora M.G. Corazza, of Milan, Italy.

Mr C.E.B.R. Carr and Miss J.R. Clemo
The engagement is announced

between Charles, elder son of Major and Mrs Rex Carr, of Hawstead, Suffolk, and Jillian, younger daughter of Mr Maxwell Clemo, of Moreton in Marsh, Gloucestershire, and Mrs Rosemary Bell, of Boothby-Pagnell, Lincolnshire, and younger stepdaughter of Mrs Jacqueline Clemo, of Moreton in Marsh, Gloucestershire.

Mr G.M.C. Cordner and Miss C.M.A. Henson The engagement is announced between Grant, son of Mrs D.G.C. Cordner, of White Rock, Hastings, East Sussex, and Celia, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Donald Henson, of

The Park of Drumquhassle, Mr B.J. Fitzpatrick and Miss M.I. Collins

The engagement is announced between Barry John, son of Mr and Mrs Joseph Fitzpatrick, of Northolt, Middlesex, and largaret Isobel, daughter of the late Mr Samuel Collins and of Mrs Kathleen Collins, of Wallington, Surrey.

Mr J.F. Forsyth and Miss L.J. Kileour

The engagement is announced between Julian Fraser, only son of Mr and Mrs Ian Forsyth, of Kingswood, Surrey, and Linzi Jane, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Alexander Kilgour, of Aberdeen, Grampian.

Mr A.J.W. Ogg and Miss J.M. Dawson

and Miss J.M. Dawson
The engagement is announced
between Angus, son of Mr and
Mrs G.D.W. Ogg, of Lower
Beeding, Sussex, and Julie,
daughter of Mrs A.M. Rose and
stepdaughter of Mr A. Rose, of
Accrington, Lancashire.

Mr S.R. Pease and Miss H.M. Steed The engagement is announced between Simon Richard Pease, of Lowestoft, Suffolk, and Helen

Mary Steed, of Braybrooke,

and Miss J.E. Pisani The engagement is announced between Simon Christopher, eldest son of Mr and Mrs C. Perkins, of Cosawes Pascoe Farm, Falmouth, Cornwall, and Jemma Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs P.L. Pisani, of Wyndham House, Sutton

Mr P.A. Wright
and Miss T.L. Boyd
The engagement is announced
between Adrian, son of Mr and
Mrs A.M. Wright, of Wakefield,
Yorkshire, and Tracey, eldest
daughter of Mr LW. Boyd and
Mrs V.H. Turnbull, of Fulham,
London SW6

Marriage

Mr A.H.M. Wilson and Miss C.S.M. Pakenham

The marriage took place yesterday in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks, of Mr Henry Wilson, youngest son of the late Mr John Wilson, and of Mrs Sheila Wilson, of London, SW3, to Miss Caroline Pakenham, only daughter of Mr Michael Pakenham, of East Meon, Hampshire, and the Hon Mrs Susan Pakenham, of Wirral, Merseyside. The Rev J.A. Barrie officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Rebecca Pakenham, Alexandra Scott, Olivia Wilson, George Apsion, Thomas Heber-Percy and Angus Tobey, Captain William Cubitt was best man.

A reception was held at Wellington Barracks and the honeymoon will be spent

Memorial services

THE PRINCE and Princess of Wales were represented by Mr Angus Stirling at a memorial service for Miss Else Mayer-Lismann held yesterday at St Paul's, Covent Garden. The Very Rev David Elliott officiated.

Mr Jonathan Lewsey read the lesson and Mr Jeremy Isaacs, General Director of the Royal Opera House, read from The Kaddish. Mr Ken Davison gave an address. Miss Anne Evans sang *Traume*, one of Richard Wagner's Wesendonk songs. accompanied by Mr Lionel Friend, piano.

Sir John Wedgwood A service of thanksgiving for the life of Sir John Wedgwood was held yesterday at St James's, Piccadilly.

The Rev Donald Reeves

officiated. The Rev Dr Edward Carpenter and Mrs Ann Tilley, Community of Little Gidding,

read prayers.

The Rev Charles Gordon Clark read from Pilgrim's Progress by John Bunyan, Sir Martin Wedgwood, son, read "Red Gold by Bludyard Scribling" by J.K. Stephen and Scribling by J.K. Stephen and J. Stephen an Dr John Wedgwood from The Mysterious Universe by Sir James Jeans, by permission of Lady Jeans. Mr Robin Reilly gave an address. The Right Rev Peter Walker pronounced the blessing. Among those present

Gadsden, GBE, who presented

awards arising from the Company's Textile Prize Scheme to the

young ist Prize. Mr Kenny Miller and John Ist Prize. Mr Kenny Miller and John Peter Jennings: Technology Mr Feld (Mr. 1801) Solido Hestilute of Awards (Mr. 1801) Awards of Art. Weavers Company School of Art. Weavers Company School of Art. the New Royal College of Art. the New Royal (Mr. 1801) Inc. Textille & Colling Notice of Art. The New Royal College of Art. The

After the presentation.

the prize-winners and representarives of textile organisations joined members of the Com-pany for a reception and

ollowing:

pany for luncheon.

The Rev Alan Booth

Luncheons The Weavers' National Children's Home Company Lord Murray of Epping Forest, Vice-Chairman and Treasurer of the National Children's PRESENTATION of Prize Scheme Awards At a ceremony held at Saddlers' Hall, on March 27, the Upper Bailiff of the Weavers' Company, Mr R.D.N. Day, introduced Alderman Sir Peter Godelen GRE, who presented Home, was host at a luncheon held yesterday in aid of NCH at the Travellers Club. Among others present were:

Miss Carmen Cahill. Mr R W E Charton. Mr Greg Childs, Mr An-thony Bryant. Mr Trevor Phillips and Mr John Hooper.

Lunchtime Comment Club Sir Crispin Tickell was the guest speaker at a Lunchtime Comment Club luncheon held yesterday at the New Connaught Rooms. Mr Martin Barber, chairman, presided.

Miss Dorothy Meynell (also representing the Staffordshire Soci-city), Mr. Anton Gabazewicz (Chris-tle's). Mr. Roger France (Grean College, Cofford), Mr. Timothy, Ridd Ging's School, Granthami, Mr. A. E. Dingle (Wessex Cave Cibl) and Sister Alphonsus GR. Augustine's Nursing Home. Brighton).

A memorial service for the Rev

Alan Booth, was included within the Eucharist held yes-

terday at the British Council of Churches Assembly in the Cha-

pel of Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Derbyshire. The Right Rev Lesslie Newbigin

Latest wills

LADY Lace, of Hambledon, Hampshire, diarist and widow of Sir William Luce, left estate valued at £80,759 net.

MORDECAI GORELIK

Style, expression and function in stage design

distinguished American stage designer and theatre scholar. particularly associated with the Group Theatre in the 1930s, died on March 7, aged 90, in Sarasota, Florida.

His austere hospital sets contributed greatly to the touch with Constructivism impact of Sidney Kingsley's and other aspects of the Men In White (1933), the Continental avant-garde, he Group's first popular success. Among other plays, he designed Clifford Odets's Golden Boy (1937), Robert Ardrey's Casey Jones (1938) - his stylized locomotive engine stole all the notices - and

Thunder Rock (1939). Gorelik played an important part in advocating Bertolt Brecht's theories to a hostile America, expanding them - along with much else - in his important book New Theatres For Old (1940). He wrote plays, directed, and latterly spent much time teaching in 1960 Southern Illinois University appointed him research professor in

Max Gorelik - as he was known to his colleagues - was

Appointments

in the Forces

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Hodge - MOD Bath 22.6.90:
Lane - MOD London 31.8.9
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Tamblyn - to be Capt MOD
mouth 6.4.90.

K M Martin - Staff of CENCNAVHOME 11.9.90.

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The Army
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Honorary appointments

The Chaplains'

A CONFERENCE for School

Chaplains enritled "Facing the Future" was held at University College, Oxford, on March 21-23. The main speakers were the Bishop of Oxford, Sir Peter Indeed Instance Instance

Impert, Jonathon Pornitt, Angela Tilby and the Revd David

Conner. The Chairman was the

Monmouth School

MONMOUTH School an-

nounces the following awards as

a result of recent scholarship

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Moor Park. Ludler.
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Cathedral
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Mark E.L.
Gabelle School.
Lieuder School.
School. Lieuder.
Schoolarship: C.B. Auty.
Brightlands. Newnham-on-Severn.
Suffice Form Exhibitions: J.H. Lewis,
West Monmouth Comprehensive,
Pontypool: J.C. Winfie, Rougement,
Newport.

Conference

Revd Peter Hullah.

examinations.

Royal Air Force

He regularly harangued the Group Theatre directors for ignoring their left-wing beliefs and exploiting the workers and Gorelik in particular. Yet his gifts were exceptional and widely appreciated. Fully in Continental avant-garde, he always ensured his set designs were expressive and func-

play's intentions. Gorelik possessed flinty humour as well as passion. Harold Clumnan once instructed him to give the dentist's office in Odets's Rocket To The Moon the claustrophobic feeling of a womb: "Do you understand, Max, a womb?" "Well, I was there once," Gorelik replied, "but I didn't take any notes."

tional, never distorting the

Mordecai Gorelik was born on August 25, 1899, in Minsk, Russia; his family emigrated during his early childhood. By 1920, he was employed backstage at the Provincetown chimaxes and suspense (Brecht sity theatres.

Playhouse in New York — a was for, Gorelik against), He is survived by his focal point for America's Brecht threatened to throw his one daughter and a son.

Guild and New Playwrights'

Dos Passos.

In the early 1930s Gorelik helped form the defiantly leftist acting group Theatre Collective, and continued to absorb advanced European stage practices, gathering information for New Theatres For Old on research trips funded by the Guggenheim Foundation.

He befriended Brecht in

1935 after designing sets for the Theatre Union's unhappy New York production of Mother (an adaptation of Gorki's novel of that name which Brecht had written as Die Mutter, in collaboration with G. Weisenborn, in 1931). It was a fruitful but volatile relationship. During one heated quarrel about the dramatic virtues of empathy,

MORDECAI Gorelik, the not the most tractable of men. burgeoning new drama. Suc- friend out of the window. But cess came with the Theatre the storm passed: by the following year, 1945, they

OBITUARIES

During the Second World War Gorelik briefly worked for RKO in Hollywood, designing sets for Odets's directing debut None But The Lonely Heart (1944).

But Gorelik's poetic realism clashed with the studio's customary style of prosaic opulence; he found happier times in Los Angeles designing and directing at the Actors' Laboratory Theatre.

Back on Broadway, Gorelik designed sets for Arthur Miller's first significant suc-cess All My Sons (1947), Odets's The Flowering Peach (1954) and Michael V. Gazzo's A Hatful Of Rain (1955).

After 1960 most of his work was for regional and university theatres.

He is survived by his wife,

CANON D. W. GUNDRY

Churchman with the skills of journalist and teacher



communicator.

Gundry was always scarching for platforms from which to use his skill, whether he was teaching, preaching, writing Professor and Head of Theol-an academic textbook, editing ogy at Ibadan University Colla cathedral quarterly or talking to journalists. He was for eight years Church Affairs Correspondent of The Daily

He was a powerful figure of a Cornishman who, even with a pacemaker, walked like a guard's officer. His friends and many of his colleagues will believe he did not go as far as he should have done in his beloved Church of England. Dudley William Gundry

was born on June 4, 1916. He took his BD and his MTh at

CANON Dudley Gundry who King's College London, and died in Leicester on March 24, after serving St Matthew's, aged 73, was a priest who Surbiton, as Curate was the never had a parish of his own; first lecturer in the history of and he saw one of the vital religions at the University roles of his ministry as that of College of North Wales, Banor, where he went on to become Dean of Faculty. In the early 1960s he moved

to Nigeria for three years as ogy at Ibadan University College. His next move was to Leicester Cathedral as Canon Chancellor and, for a while Rural Dean conjuring with the problems of 43 city parishes while still managing a powerful voice on General Synod.

He was a conservative in ecclesiastical and liturgical matters but liberal in theology. He was founder secretary of the British section of the

International Association for

the History of Religions. He was a bachelor.

MAURICE FLEURET

Promoting contemporary music

were collaborating (abor- on March 22 aged 57. A man contemporary music festivals, tively to encourage and popularize the works of his contemporaries.

Fleuret used his opportupromote the music of should have shared 2 pro-Stockhausen, Boulez, Berio gramme with traditional and others. Xenakis was a music from India and Japan. special passion: he wrote two books on the composer.

He was born on June 22. 1932, in La Talaudière, Loire, and studied at the Paris Conservatoire (1952-6), where Messiaen was one of his teachers. He then embarked on a career as lecturer (for the Jeunesses Musicales) and critic, writing for various periodicals before his appointment to France Observateur (later the Nouvel Observateur) in 1960.

The weekly was his principal forum for more than 20 years, and there he established his reputation as a lucid explainer of new compositional ideas, a flamboyant stylist and a relentless

propagandist. His zeal went as well into continued exercises in selfeducation, taking him on journeys into Africa, Asia and Latin America; his appetite for new experience seemed boundless, and as practical mementoes he assembled a large collection of musical instruments. He also set up home in Marrakesh.

MAURICE Fleuret, the which he founded and ran French music critic and from 1967 to 1974. This was administrator, died in Paris the last great age of prestige modernist sets for tively) on Nothing But The adventurous plays by John Best, a play about American Howard Lawson and John workers.

on march 22 ageu 37. A man of intense enthusiasm and and Fleuret contributed to it with programmes concentrating flair, he devoted himself with particular energy to new ing on the works of a few music, and saw it as his role selected composers each year, not only to observe but ac-tively to encourage and popu-featured composers were Stravinsky. Stockhausen, Takemitsu and Eloy, and it was typical of Fleuret that nities as a festival organizer to Stockhausen's recent Trans

The next year he was responsible for mounting a Stockhausen festival at the rains of Persepolis, and in 1974 there was a Nenakis festival in Bonn. Then from 1975 to 1981 he was director of the Lille Festival.

In November 1981, following the Socialists' coming to power, he accepted the state post of Director of Music and Dance, and relinquished his appointments at Lille and the Nouvel Observateur.

Fleuret exercised his new responsibilities with the same vivacity, and generous fund-ing enabled him to continue his work on behalf of contemporary music; his unpublished memoirs, however, may reveal that this was not altogether a happy time.

He left government service in September, 1986, and devoted his efforts thereafter to the Mahler Library, the largest private musical library in France, which he founded with Henry-Louis de la Grange. Not least among its holdings are his own archives His first festival enterprise of correspondence with many was the Journées de Musique of the outstanding composers Contemporaine de Paris, of his time.

JIM EDE

A correspondent writes:

THERE were two points missing in the fine obituary of Jim Ede (March 17).

the formal opening of the new extension, there was a concert On most Thursdays in term, photographs.

there is a concert; a particular feature has been the promotion of promising young

Music plays a large part in Secondly, I might mention the life of Kettle's Yard. After A Way of Life, that wonderful account by Jim of Kettle's Yard, done in his late sevengiven by the late Jacqueline du ties; the book is an extraor-Pré and Daniel Barenboim. dinary amalgam of text and

SCIENCE REPORT

Bacteria clean up oil slick

A NATURAL detergent from especially for dealing with a the aim of manufacturing bacteria could limit the large slick in a small space, custom-built microbes for ine mom ou slicks, according to new research.

In the latest issue of Bio-Technology (vol 8, pp 228-230), a series of before-andcleaned oily gravel from the beaches of Prince William TROUM 6.4.90.
SURCEON COMMANDER: D W
SOME VIDE - R N H Haster 1.8.90; C
N Wartow - Nelson 8.6.90,
SURGEON COMMANDER (D): S
Lambert-Humble - Nelson 12.10.90. Sound in Alaska, where the tanker Exxon Valdez ran aground last year, spilling 10 million gallons of crude oil into that pristine CAPTAIN: K B Estim - 24.5.90: A G T Groom - 26.5.90. environment. COLONELS: S J Pack - MOD 26.11.90.

In the clean-up that normal bacteria. followed, oil was washed from the rocks with jets of warm water from fire hoses. This was not very effective: warm water removes only a small proportion of oil, even after immersion in hot water for a minute or more. And because the cleaning operations took so long, much of the oil had congealed into a sticky, tarry mass by the time people got round to removing it. The task was made even

more difficult by the knowledge that more effective treatments existed, but could not be used for fear of making the pollution even worse. Certain chemicals can be used to disperse oil slicks, but

they are toxic and expensive,

SUCH AS PTINCE WILLIAM SOUR There are also novel genetically engineered or transgenic bacteria that can digest oil, but current regulations limiting after pictures show how the organisms into the environbacterial detergent efficiently ment makes their use somewhat academic.

But A. M. Chakrabarty, of the US Army Chemical Research, Development and Engineering Centre in Maryland has come to the rescue with a natural, non-toxic substance produced by perfectly

Some strains of bacteria dine on hydrocarbons, and secrete a detergent to emulsify heavy oils that cannot dissolve in water unless broken up into droplets of microscopic size. The bacteria then get to work absorbing the emulsified oils. The researchers hope that the bacterial detergent could be used to emulsify oil in oil slicks. cleaning beaches to make them safe for wildlife.

The bacteria concerned are pseudomonads: members of this diverse family of microbes combine a reluctance to spread with a voracious appetite. These two attributes make them prime subjects for genetic experimentation with @ Nature-Times News Service, 1990

tion control.

The eclectic tastes and talents of pseudomonads are, in many cases, no more than the release of transgenic nature intended: petrol-driven bacteria produce detergent as a normal part of their digestive system. Tests on oil-contaminated

and Mr Jeffery Boswali also gravel from Prince William spoke. Sound showed that a one per cent solution of bacterial detergent added to a hot water spray (a warm wash of 50 degrees Celsius) and applied to oily gravel for one minute removed three times as much oil (more than 60 per cent) as hot water on its own (20 per cent). In a cool wash of 30 degrees Celsius, detergent removed 20 per cent of the oil whereas unadulterated warm water managed only 5 per

The main advantage of bacterial detergent is that it is biodegradable. Unlike oil-dispersant chemicals that accumulate in the food chain and may be hazardous to life, the bacterial detergent is broken down in the environment as if it - and the oil - had never

Henry Gee

Bishop of Woolwich, to be Chairman of the Archbishop of Canterbury's Advisory Com-mittee on Urban Priority Areas, succeeding the Right Rev Tom Butler, Bishop of Willesden. The Rev Alan Davis has succeeded Prebendary Patrick Dearnley as the Archbishop's Officer for Urban Priority

Other appointments
The Rev Canon Michael A Batlard.
Vicar, Eastwood, St Laurence, and
Rural Dean of Hedleigh, diocese
Cheimsford: to be Rectur. Southchurch, Holy Trimity, same diocese.
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Assistant Curate. Great Horton, diocese Bradford: to be Vicar, Summyside with Bourne End, diocese St
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field: to be Rector, Hemsworth, same discose.

The Rev Russell E Parker, Vicar, Coalville W Bardon Hill, discose Lescaster: to be Full-time Officer. Acom Christian Healing Trust.

The Rev James G Pendorf, Discosen Speciesry, discose Birmingham: to be also as Honorary Canon of Birmingham Cathedral, same diocese. The Rev Dudley J Powell, Vicar, Stoke Chicot, discose Bristor to be Team Rector, Stoke Christian Rector, Stoke Christian Rector, Stoke Christian Rector, Stoke Christian Communications Officer, discose Chichester: to be also Prebendary of Sution in Chichester Cathedral, same discose.

Dinners

Monday Club Mr Kenneth Baker, MP, was the guest of honour at the spring dinner of the Monday Club held last night at the Cafe Royal Viscount Massereene and Fer-rand, president, was in the chair and Mr David Storey, chairman, also spoke.

United and Cecil Club
Sir Patrick Mayhew, QC, Attorney General, was the guest of
honour and speaker at a dinner
of the United and Cecil Club held last night at the House of Commons. Sir Marcus Fox, MP, chairman of the club, presided

Union Society of the City of The Duke of Westminster, Parron of the Union Society of the City of Westminster, attended the final dinner of the 1989/90 season held last night at the Savoy Hotel. Mr Peter Purton, chairman, presided. General Sir Richard Vincent, Mr Steven Henriques, Mr Tony Minns and Mr Roger Dakin also

Coachmakers' and Coach Harness Makers' Company Mr G.A. Hepworth, Master of the Coachmakers' and Coach Harness Makers' Company, pre-sented the Motor Car Centenary Bursary to Mr Giles Taylor at the Motor Industry dinner held last night at Drapers' Hall. Mr Keith Taylor, Mr Steve Norris, MP, and Sir John Egan also

Kingston Polytechnic last night hosted a dinner for Soviet and British designers at the Victoria and Albert Museum. Among those present were: Dr Robert Smith, CBE, Potytechnic Director, Dr Yurt Soloviev, President

Viadimir Munipov. Deputy Dire the Soviet Research Institutional Design. Nr Alexande of the Foreign Office, and Mr Vi Slavin. of the Soviet Embassy To Professor Thomas Kennager

On Friday, March 23, a dinner was held at Henley The Management College to mark the occa-sion of the retirement of the Principal, Professor Thomas Kempner, Sir Denys Henderson, Chairman of the Court of Governors and members of the Court joined staff and friends in wishing Professor and Mrs Kempner well and in presenting gifts of appreciation. The conferment of the title of Emeritus Professor on Professor. Kempner was announced at the

Receptions

Mrs John Louis and her Directors of Eximious were hosts at a reception last night at to celebrate the opening of Eximious. Many distinguished guests and friends were present.

Lewis Briggs International The Partners of Lewis Briggs International entertained guests to a reception at Christie's, St James's, London, yesterday evening.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Raphael, Urbino, Italy, 1483; Saint Teresa of Avila, Avila, Spain, 1515; Johann Co-Mensius, educator, Nivnice, Czechoslovakia, 1592; George I, reigned 1714-27; Osnabruck, Germany, 1660; Thomas Clarkson, Abolitionist, Wis-bech, Cambridgeshire, 1760; Maksim Gorky, novelist, Nizhny Novgorod, Russia, 1868; Corneille Heymans, physiologist, Nobel increase 1938, Ghent, 1892; Dame Flora Robson, actress, South Shields,

DEATHS: Wenzal Hollar, en-graver, London, 1677; Peg Woffington, actress, London, 1760; William Thornton, archi-tect, Washington, 1828; Modest Mussorgsky, composer, Leningrad, 1881; Virginia Woolf, Rodnell, Sussex, 1941; Sergei Rachmaninoff, composer and pianist, Beverly Hills, California, 1943; Stephen Leacock, economist and humorous writer, Toronio, 1944; Dwight Eisenhower, general, 34th presi-dent of the USA, 1953-61, Washington, 1969; Marc Cha-gall, painter, 1985.

The Crimean War began, 1854. The Spanish Civil War ended, 1939. The last German V rocket landed in Britain, 1945.

Appeal for Blitz firemen

THE GUILD of Firefighters has launched a £50,000 appeal to erect a memorial to the 500 London firemen killed during the Blitz. An Sft high bronze is planned for a central London site, yet to be chosen. Donations can be made to any branch of Lloyds Bank, account number 7028352.

Birthdays today

BIFTINGAYS TOGAY

THE RIGHT Rev Dr C.K.N.
Bardsley, former Bishop of Coventry, 83; Mr Dirk Bogarde, actor, 69; the Hon George Bruce, portrait painter, 60; Professor Lord Butterfield, former Master, Downing College, Cambridge, 70; Mr R.C. Clarke, group chief executive, United Biscuits (Holdings), 61; Mr F.P. (Pat) Cook, former local Ombudsman for the North and north Midlands, 70; Mr Richard Eyre, director, National The-Eyre, director, National The-atre, 47; Mr Robert Harris, actor, 90; Mr Peter Holwell, actor, 90; Mr Peter Holwell, principal, London University, 54; Lord Hutchinson of Lullington, QC, 75; Mr Frank Judd, director-general, Oxfam, 55; Mr Neil Kinnock, MP, 48; Mr Raymond Lister, artisl and author, 71; Mr Martin Neary, organist, 50; Mr Michael Parkinson, broadcaster, 55; Dr D.H. Roberts, provost, Univer-D.H. Roberts, provost, University College London, 58: Professor Merion Sandler, chemical pathologist, 64; Sir John Stephenson, former Lord Justice of Appeal, 80; Mr Richard Stilgoe, lyricist, 47; Mr Peter Wilmot-Sitwell, vice-chairman, S.G. Warburg Group, 53.

Wrekin College SCHOLARSHIPS awarded

Retinates BRIGAMER: G P R Ransby, late RA 2.4.90. COLONELS: R McCrum, late R Irish 2,4.90: R Wilcox, late RAPC 2,4.90. Today's royal engagements Brigadier Michael Thomas Austin Lord, late REME, is appointed Aide de Camp to the Queen from March 24 in succession to Brigadier Richard Alexander Weston, retired. THE PRINCE of Wales, as

President of the Prince's Trust, will visit the work, sport and leisure workshop at Warner Holiday Centre, Caister-on-Sea, Norfolk, at 12.40. Royal Air Force
CROUP CAPTAIN: J K Newton - To
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11GB. Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother will lay the foundation stone of the new Victoria Barracks in Windsor at noon. Princess Margaret will attend a gala dinner and concert at the Banqueting House, Whitehall, at 7.40 in aid of the St Peter's

Eaton Square Appeal. The Duke of Gloucester, as Patron of the Anti-Slavery Society for the Protection of Human Rights, will unveil a commemorative plaque on the Buxton Memorial Fountain, Victoria Gardens, Westminster, at 11.30. The Duchess of Kent will attend

and dance at the Park Lane Hotel at 7.30. **Appointments**

Latest appointments include: Dame Margaret Weston, formerty director of the Science Museum to be Chairman of the Public Park Trust, a new independent body to run the organization after the abolition of the Inner London Education Authority, Field Marshal Lord Brazzall to the patron of the

THE RIGHT Rev Peter Hall,

the Business Flyer/Flight Atten-dant of the Year Awards dinner

Church news

be Presentiony of Wighting in Chich-selver Cathedral and Wighting Theo-togical Lecturer. The Rev Roger i Martin. Curate, non-simendiary ministry. St Peter, and St Paul, Sathwood. Hythe, diocese Car-ferbury: to be Priest-in-charge, non-stipendiary ministry. Crundale. St Mary the Blessed Virgin, w Godmer-sham. Ashford: same diocese. The Rev Alan Matthews. Assistant Caraba, Hemsworth, diocese Wale-field: to be Rector, Hemsworth, same diocese.

Resignations and retirements The Rev Canon John N Collie, Vicar, Ecclesall, Shefileid, dioces Sheffleid: to retire October.
The Rev Robert A S L C de Massey, Rector, Abberton w Langenhoë, diocese Chaimsford: to retire as from June 30.
The Rev Albar R Gordon, Curate, Headington Curate, V Holy Trinty,

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

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NASLAM - On March 25th. Dania Porsoriby, in London. aged 92. Wife of William Herywood Haslam, nother of Private F/D. North Oxford. Let: Oxford \$9370. OVERSEAS TRAVEL LEGAL NOTICES WINTER SPORTS NOTICE TO THE CREDITORS
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ARCIOCEACON - On March 18th 1900, in Bath, to Lisa and Feter, twics, Ben and Sorah, a brother and sister for Cenama. RASLAM - Oh March 25th.
Dana Ponsonby, in London.
aged 92. Wife of William
Heywood Haslam, nother of
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3.15 pm Friday March 30th.
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Peacefully. In his 94th year.
In Edinburgh. Arthur Melville Clark M.A., D.Phil.

D.Litt. F.R.S.E., F.R.S.A., of Henotshall and Oxton. Was a Knight of Potonia Restituta. Krught of St. Lazarur of Jerusalem and was a bachelor. His nepheron and micres and their families are in mourning and wish to inform his friends and coleagues that a service will be held in the Church of St. John the Evangelist. West End of Princes Street.

Edinburgh, on March 29th at 2 pm. Interment thereafter to The Grange Cemetery. 3 pm. CREED-NEWTON - On March 29th. enquiries to Reynolds & Co., (2043) 864745.

DAVIS - On March 25th, in Westminster Hospital Ronald Alvyne Charles Davis RIBA. aged 52 years, beloved Irlend of Graeme and brother to Lucy. He will be wholly missed by his family and a host of good friends. Funeral Service on Friday March 30th at 2.15 pm. at Putney Vale Crematorium. Cut flowers by 12.30 pm to Cooperative Fineral Services. 82 Parsons Green Lane. Fulham. London. SW6, or, if preferred. a donation to the St. Stephen. 21st. London. Sw1v 16N.

DEKTER - On Friday March 25rd. at The London Bridge Hospital. John. aged 64. Cremation 12.30 Thursday April 5th. West Chapel. Golders Green Crematorium. No flowers by request. Memorial Service to be anounced later. Programment of the Stephen. Service in St. Paul's Chapel. Golders Green Crematorium. Brigadier (Rel'd) Joseph Alexander (Filz) Fitzpatrick. CB.E. beloved husband of Elizabeth and the late Deenagh and much loved father. grandfather. Funeral Service in St. Paul's Chapel. Exciter and Devon Crematorium. Brigadier (Rel'd) Joseph Alexander (Filz) Fitzpatrick. CB.E. beloved husband of Elizabeth and the late Deenagh and much loved father. Grandfather. Funeral Service in St. Paul's Chapel. Exciter and Devon Crematorium on Friday March 30th at 2.15 pm. Family Howers only. but donations. If desired, may be seni for Royal Tank. Regiment Benevolent Fund. Bovington Camp. Dorset. direct or c/o Walter. C. Parson & Son Funeral Directors. Riverside. South Devon. 01-937 9864 **TRAILFINDERS** or write to: 23 Abundon Road Kensington London W8 6AH 42-48 Earls Court Road **ENRICH YOUR** U.K. HOLIDAYS delignis.

NEARME - Tragically in a car accident. Emma Jame. beloved dalighter of Graham and Carol. beloved sister of Christopher. Abegail and Sophie and loving girlfriend of Will. Funaral Service at Hampstead Parish Church. Church Row. London NW3. on Friday March 30th at 12.50 pm. followed by cremation. Plowers may be sent to Leverton & Sons Ltd. 181 Haverstock Hill. Beistze Park. London NW3. I andon W8 6FT SOCIAL LIFE! **OPEN 9-6 MON-SAT** Are you tooking for that special beness of just more opportunities to meet kindre opportunities to meet kindre spiritist Sevelar Viero is different. Designed for the discerning and suphisticated it provides spare instructions, dimer parties buttes suppers, drights partie and weakents! CENTRAL LONDON Holday asts. D2 229 7188 Details: 45 White-tiers Avenue, SW11 STS. 9-7 THURS 10-2 SUN WALTON - On March 26th, peacefully at home after a long liness. Joan Callmont, beloved wife of Arthur. Funeral Service at Buckland Newton Parsh Church on Monday Auril 2nd at 2 pm, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only. READ for prote with new Proof-Reading & Editing course Free details: Freetance MS. P.O. Sox 572. Bournersouth, BH4 97A ghaul Flights 01 938 33 USA/Europe Flights 01 937 5400 SITUATIONS VACANT 1st and Business Class Ol 938 3444 Grama.

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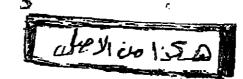
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THE ARTS

History man from Chicago A voice to revel in

Matt Wolf meets the rising American playwright John Logan

memorable roles, first put the Leopold and Loeb murder case on screen, and Henry Fonda was also to play the trial's celebrated defence attorney, Clarence Darrow, in a one-man show on stage and television. John Logan's West End play Never the Sinner considers the case anew. It refocuses attention on that night in May 1924 when two Chicago University students, Nathan Leo-pold and Richard Loeb, fractured the skull of Bobby Franks, a friend of Loeb's younger brother, before — so the story goes — return-ing home for a drink and a game of

What was it about these two rich, handsome, stylish, intellectual young men that would make them commit murder?" asks Lo-gan, the 28-year-old Chicago dramatist making his West End debut with the play. "There's a myriad of answers, and I wanted myself to explore them. The relationship of Leopold and Loeb is

he 1959 film Compul-sion, with Orson Welles twist it in the light, and see in one of his most different facets illuminated. Some are shocking and bright, and you want to hide your eyes; some are beguiling and intimate. The relationship just drew me in."

Logan wrote the play in 1983 in his last year at Northwestern University (near Chicago), where he studied theatre, "An incredible run of good luck", as he remem-bers it, allowed him access to primary source material, both in the University's special collection and at the Chicago Historical Association. Aided by volumes of trial transcripts and Leopold's letters written on his release from prison in 1958, Logan found a fresh angle on potentially over-

"It came down to a question of what each one needed from their relationship, and how, given the right circumstances, anyone could be capable of going to such an extreme," he says of the play, which was seen in a 1987 London fringe production. "Leopold and Loeb are not evil; they are simply



Dean Stockwell (left), Bradford Dillman, Orson Welles in Compulsion

subject to the forces of their

Logan takes an interest in the past that is rare among young American dramatists, many of whom stick predictably close to home, adding to a genre that Benedict Nightingale has termed "diaper drama". Not Logan: "I have very little regard for anaemic television theatre, for naturalistic, self-indulgent, sometimes auto-biographical drama. To me the theatre is a place to explode, to make a direct connection with the audience." Public events, not the private specifics of his childhood, are his point of departure.

"Who would want to see a play about my life?" jokes Logan, the youngest of three children born to Protestant Belfast parents who moved to America in the 1950s. He calls history an "absolute passion", and his chosen terrain extends well beyond America. Music from a Locked Room (1989), his favourite among his own plays, cloaked a critique of Reagan-era complacency in a Noel-Coward-like comedy of manners set at a London dinner party in 1939. His 1987 play Snow was a "gigantic, unproducibly large" work about the Russian Revolution.

His present projects include a screenplay about Edith Piaf and two contrasting stage plays: one, a historical drama set in North Africa, the other a contemporary urban piece called Scorched Earth

Logan is one of several young writers to have emerged from the fever of theatrical activity in Chicago in the past few years. That has already led to visits to London by such companies as Steppenwolf and Wisdom Bridge. Apart from



John Logan: he has "very little regard for . . . naturalistic drama"

an off-off-Broadway production of Never the Sinner, Logan has so far resisted the often dangerous mag-net that is New York. "Manhattan does not have much appeal for me any more," says the playwright, "Every time I go back, I look at the

theatre, and I see commerce written in capital letters across practically everything."

• Never the Sinner is at the Play house, Northumberland Avenue, London WC2 (01-839 4401). Preview

Watch with Rentanexpert, or The Flying Pundit Service

THE idea of the flying doctor is a tried and trusted television formula. It was only a matter of time before it got transferred to the before all the comment what he is before it got transferred to the world of industry and high finance. Take an ailing toy firm such as Tri-ang, with an apparently old-fashioned management and an outdated plant, fly in whizzbang ex-ICI chairman Sir John Harvey-Jones to sort them out, and a new BBC 2 series called Troubleshooter is born.

The original series of that title dates back to 1965, was eventually retitled Mogul, and consisted who tells the camera what he is about to tell the next meeting, and then repeats it to the Chairman.

His message was that Tri-ang should clamber into the 20th century with all possible speed. The toymakers looked suitably impressed, as thought they would never have thought of that for themselves. They also had the worst of the dialogue. Lines such as "We have developed an attrac-

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tive new style of baby-walkers" would have been hard enough for Barrett or Keen to deliver, let alone a troubled factory manager faced with several cameras.

Series such as this used to go out on the Open University after midnight, under titles such as Industrial Reorganization, part 47. The shift to prime time suggests either that the BBC thinks we all need to get our toys together for the new decade or, more plausibly, that in Sir John they have found another of those natural camera stars who, like Arthur Negus and Barbara Woodhouse, can drift around the world as Rentanexpert, the person with the answers to problems you never thought you had. Talking of Negus, you should dig out the Tri-

ang toys in your attic: they might well now have antique value. The monumental Thames biography of Stalin (ITV) ended with the paranoid dictator imprisoning

his own family, and finally failing to trust even himself. The world became his enemy, chaos was all around, and the only mystery was

how he escaped assassination.
In one sense, he may not have escaped it: his daughter Svetlana talked about the way doctors were kept away from Stalin at the end, presumably for fear that they might have been able to save him. His death was speeded by a government that had at last learnt to live without him - but in the concentration camps they still

RECITAL

Noel Goodwin

Roman Trekel Wigmore Hall

AFTER winning last year's Walther Gruner International Lieder Competition at the City of London Festival, Roman Trekel returned for a solo programme as part of a first prize which was clearly well merited. A high lyne baritone, aged 27 this year and originally from Pirna near Dresden in East Germany, he has a voice of uncommon beauty of tone in the middle and high registers particularly.

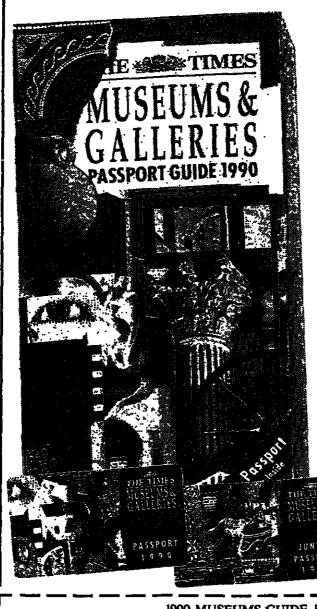
He also showed a thoughtful concern about the musical as well as verbal character of his chosen songs, all from the classic Lieder repertory which, in the first part, followed Schubert with Hugo Wolf. The Schubert items were six settings of Heine's verse, with tender feeling turning to tragic spirit in "Am Meer", the tone staying full and fine under pressure in "Die Stadt", and a sombre and searching "Doppelganger".

It was clever of him to bring Wolf forward so early, for it meant that his concentration as well as ours was still at its freshest. Here the Mörike settings included a revealing breadth of emotional character for the deceptive "Im Frühling", a continuing sensitivity to words as well as exemplary articulation, and subtle touches of rollicking or ironic humour in "Selbsgestandnis" and "Abschied". Also in this group was the

unknowing irony of Wolf's "Storchenbotschaft": I understand the singer was not told until afterwards of the stork's arrival at his own home earlier that day, when his wife gave birth to their third child. Otherwise the Brahms and Strauss songs might not have been so controlled. As it was they were to be

enjoyed for the insight guided by rhythmic understanding in Brahms, not least a lovely setting of Goethe's "Dammrung senkte" and rapture as well as delicacy in some Strauss favourites which continued into the encores. Werner Schieke was a buoyant, attentive, slightly excitable accompanist. I hope the singer will come back

soon; he would adom one of opera's younger baritone roles, such as Mozart's Guglielmo or



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Portrait of the victim

Andrew Gibbon Williams on the wasted

years of David Scott, an artist betrayed by the grandiose historical vision of High Art



William Scott by David Scott

Reynolds to believe that anything less than History Painting in the Grand Italian Manner was not worth the effort, a generation of British artists led careers that ended in disillusionment. After obligatory Roman sojourns, they returned to find that there was just no demand for highfalutin' historical work in Britain. But that did not stop them aspiring. One such was the Edinburgh artist David Scott (1806-49), a pathetic victim of the High Art cult and now the subject of an exhibition at the National Gallery of Scotland.

Mary Shelley would have appre-ciated Scott's family background. The son of the engraver Robert Scott, David grew up in a house called "Hermits and Termits" in an atmosphere of intense morbidity stemming from the early death of his four elder brothers. The result was a depressive personality, and it is this rather than the quality of his pictures that makes the National Gallery's exhibition so interesting. Here are all the pretentious ambitions and aesthetic uncertainties that characterized the work of would-be History Painters.

Too young to take the usual late-18th-century option of turning to portraiture, but too old to be bitten by the Pre-Raphaelite bug like his brother, the better-known William Bell Scott (pictured above in David's portrait), David searched for a style which would

suit his grandiose vision, and for a purpose to which it could be put. Probably the most ham-fisted picture in the show is one that belongs to the National Gallery. "The Traitor's Gate" is Scott at his doleful and bituminous worst: the Duke of Gloucester, accompanied by ghoulish boatmen, passes on his last journey through the harbour gate of Calais.

Homeric subjects were still in vogue in the 1830s, and Scott surpassed himself in an ecstatic, muscular, Michelangelo-esque "Philoctetes", on the rocky Lem-

rarity in Scott's painting, which is a pity because his life-drawing was energetic and spirited, if not particularly exact. Several pencil drawings serve as a reminder that he was one of the founders of the Scottish capital's first Life Academy. However, it was historical costume drama that he thought he should be doing, and his most exuberant essay in this genre still hangs in Trinity House, Leith. Vasco da Gama Passing the Cape of Good Hope", a massive, beroid failure, is a tumultuous pyramid of figurative action, inspired by Géricault's famous "Raft of the

Medusa". It is Scott at his most vainglorious. Scottish history was, of course, an obvious mine of subject matter. In 1842 he entered "William Wallace at the Battle of Stirling in the mural competition for the new Houses of Parliament (perhaps a politically inept choice). Failure in the competition led Richard Dadd to insanity and Scott's friend Benjamin Robert Haydon to suicide; Scott simply became more melancholy.

As well as his life drawings, the exhibition contains further evidence that Scott's painting career was misguided; his prints are superb. Scott was the first illustrator of Coleridge's Ancient Mariner, and here in particular he was inspired. Ever eclectic, his linear Greek-vase drawing style was that of John Flaxman, while the imaginative spirit was that of William Blake, But the marriage is successful, and no subsequent attempt at the Ancient Mariner neither Sir Joseph Noel Paton's nor Gustav Dore's - is more apposite. Scott should have stuck to his father's trade and left the grand designs to brighter spirits such as his compatnot William Dyce, the eventual decorator of Pugin's great Gothic Parliament.

 David Scott continues at the National Gallery of Scotland, The Mound, Edinburgh (031 5567 8921) until April 17.



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THE ARTS

Geoff Brown on the 1990 Oscars, many of which went to small films and relatively unknown performers

Independents have their day

s one Hollywood pro-ducer said: "Academy voters like British actors". He had been contacted by the showbusiness newspaper Variety last month in a survey of possible Oscar winners. In a competitive field, he picked out Daniel Day-Lewis for his performance in My Left Foot as the crippled Irish writer and painter Christy Brown. So, on Monday night in Los Angeles, did the 4,700 voting members of the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences.

Many must have thought that Tom Cruise's name was the one in that famous envelope. Born on the Fourth of July was the film with the big publicity push, the nine minations. Tom Cruise's

plegic Vietnam veteran Ron Kovic showed fire and courage, a pin-up boy was making good. But in the event, the British contender won. The small film conquered the Hollywood block-

buster, though Born on the Fourth of July did at least bag the Best

Director prize for Oliver Stone.

It was not just a triumph for Daniel Day-Lewis. Brenda Fricker, who played Christy's hard-pressed mother, came away with the supporting actress Oscar, beating off glamorous opposition such as Anjelica Huston and Lina Olin. They were both nominated for their parts in Paul Mazursky's Isaac Bashevis Singer adaptation, Enemies, A Love Story, a bittersweet tale of a holocaust survi-

vor's love life. The star-gazers of Variety had put Fricker nowhere. So what does this tell us? First, of course, that My Left Foot is a marvellous film, marvellously played. Some of us knew this already, but now there are Oscars to prove it. Second, it proves there is life in our weary, ludicrously under-funded film industry yet. Provided that the material is distinctive, not some transatlantic mush, and the talent appropriate,

we can still score both abroad and My Left Foot, directed in Ireland by Jim Sheridan (a theatre talent making his film début), describes Christy Brown's painful struggles for self expression. At seven years old, the boy - crippled from birth by cerebral

Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences Awards 1990

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palsy — makes his first steps by drawing the letter A with chalk held in the toes of his left foot, the only part of his body over which he has any control. By the end this foot has painted one acclaimed canvas after another, and typed out an autobiography.

ay-Lewis may not always have demonstrated great depth in his parts, but the challenge of playing Christy Brown ignited a great performance. He swerves quixotically from impish humour to agonized self-pity; he copes magnificently with the huge physical demands, crawling down stairs, along floors; and be brings the character roaring to life without ever yanking ostentatiously at the heart-strings.

Dublin terrace house is always Brenda Fricker, the ordinary mother in extraordinary circumstances, doggedly supporting her son's exertions. It was a pity that there was no Best Child Oscar: Hugh O'Connor would have been an obvious choice as the young, tortured Christy, scarcely able to

And by his side in the cramped

Elsewhere in the Oscars. Kenneth Branagh understandably failed to snatch the Best Director prize for Henry V ("Interesting dark horse" opined Variety, ominously, in advance), though his film did win a statuette for costume design. That was a bi-zarre choice, as Branagh's grey, downbeat visual interpretation of Shakespeare never spotlit the costumes at all, in marked contrast to its forerunner. Laurence Olivier's version.

As for Jessica Tandy, who won the Best Actress Oscar for Driving Miss Daisy, one should not, perhaps, puff out the chest too patriotically. She has been based in America since the 1940s and took American citizenship in 1954, though it is certainly heartening to see an 80-year-old snatch a prize usually earmarked

Driving Miss Daisy also took the Academy's jewel – the Best Film Oscar. Maybe Born on the Fourth of July was just too bad-tempered in its political attitudes to sway the Academy voters; maybe they thought that the four Oscars which Stone's previous Vietnam outing, Platoon, scooped up in 1987 were quite sufficient for one director working a single

At any rate, the sweet, gentle adventures of Miss Daisy, the autocratic Southern matron, and her black chauffeur (played by Morgan Freeman - a Best Actor contender) won the day: a triumph for good-natured, uplifting entertainment that leaves you with moist eyes and a rosy glow. My Left Foot, come to think of it, does much the same thing.



Winner: actor Daniel Day-Lewis, for his performance as Christy Brown

Sound and simple story-telling

DANCE

John Percival

La traviata Sadler's Wells

ANDRE Prokovsky has tightened his Traviata ballet since its premiere on tour last autumn, and Kim Miller's performance as Marguerite has developed more light and shade than before. But the general impression remains much the same: of a soundly made adaptation of Dumas's story into dance terms, designed to appeal to audiences who appreciate directness more than great originality.

As such, London City Ballet's production is unlikely to win any Olivier nominations, nor soften the hearts of the Arts Council, which refuses support on ideological grounds in spite of the way the company has built impressive audience enthusiasm and a formidable degree of sponsorship (Traviata comes by courtesy of NatWest). The company's offence is that it is based in the capital, although it spends almost the whole year on tour, and that it presents classical ballets when the dogma among advisory panels is

Within its limited resources, you have to admire the zest with which the company presents itself. The male dancing, for instance, has plenty of attack, from the group of revellers at a picnic to Edwin Mota's Armand (although I wish he could use his arms and upper body more expressively).

At soloist level, weaknesses become more apparent. Ross Ferguson's Count has an unfortunately comic shuffle. Beverly Fry



Stanislav Tchassov and Marian St Claire, who alternate with Edwin

paints Marguerite's friend Prudence in crude strokes, and the many naughty ladies all look and act more or less alike.

Part of the problem is that only the principals count for much in this story anyway. Ashton showed that you can tell it perfectly in one act with small casts. To make a whole evening of it needs more details and digressions in the plot than Prokovsky has allowed himself.

His most successful touches are the opening scene, showing how Marguerite became aware of her



Mota and Kim Miller dancing Armand and Marguerite in La traviata

unorthodox earning power, and the duet late in Act II, where she and Armand are almost reconciled before she remembers her promise to his father.

It was a good idea to show scenes of solid bourgeois life with the Duval family as a contrast to the society to which Armand is drawn, even though the use of this in explication of Papa Duval's pleading becomes heavy-handed. Guy Woolfenden's arrangement of Verdi (from many sources, including some arias sung off-

Molière at fever-pitch

Daniel Rosenthal enjoys the performances and the fine weather at the Adelaide Festival

delaide at festival time is probably the only place in the world where you can watch drama performed in 95 degrees in a purpose-built graveyard. That improbable scenario was made possible by Adelaide's Red Shed Company, with Frank-enstein's Children by David Carlin, and - provided you did not mind being elbowed off your front-row tombstone to make way for a naked "corpse" - this macabre tale of grave-robbers and bloodthirsty surgeons was an energetic introduction to the city's

sixteenth biennial Arts Festival. The theatre programme also included a memorable double helping of Molière. The Georgian Film Actors' Studio's Don Juan offered an extraordinary example of theatre's ability to overcome linguistic barriers, while the Australian Nouveau Theatre's open-air staging of The Hypochrondriac was so preoccupied with pumps and purgatives that it could have been subtitled "An enema of the people".

The glorious weather is one of Adelaide's greatest assets. The organizers take advantage of the climate, and one highlight of the extensive "Festival Outdoors" was a free concert performance of Tasca which brought over 15,000 picnickers into Elder Park beside the River Torrens. This was the Australian soprano Joan Carden's début in the role and, one imagines, also the first time she has had to compete with howling toddlers during her most dramatic

633 shows by over 1,500 performers representing 16 countries sounds impressive, but the figures give no indication of the Edinburgh-like breadth of culture available.

A typical day might include a Writer's Week forum on screen adaptation, a lunchtime piano recital, a visit to an Aboriginal art exhibition, the Abbey Theatre's outstanding production of O'Casey's Shadow of a Gunman, and finally a session at the Festival Centre "Fezbah" to hear the Kronos Quartet's unique versions of songs by Jimi Hendrix and Howlin Wolf; and all within a

half-mile radius in the city centre. Like Edinburgh, too, Adelaide has a lively Fringe, though visitors to the Australian version can walk around comparatively easily without being proferred handbills every 100 yards or so by bizarrely or scantily dressed Fringe performers. This dearth of publicity was surprising, considering that the poor early audiences had prompted the manager of the Fringe Club to complain that

'every night is like Sunday night". Once the Festival proper was underway, however, larger numbers attended shows such as Up the Ladder, an inventive play recalling the experiences of Aborigines who attempted to box their way out of poverty in the Forties and Fifties, and Myself with Others, in which the Australian comic Gerry Connolly offered taffeta-and-tiara impression of the Queen while riding a motorized picture frame.

An exercise in Polish

CONCERT

Stephen Pettitt

Forest Choir/Stewart Queen Elizabeth Hall

THE Forest Choir, amateurs all and renowned for their innovatory programmes, contributed to the South Bank's celebrations of Szymanowski with a concert that included two of that composer's late choral works, the Veni Creator (1930) and the Litanie à la Vierge *Marié* (1930-33).

The latter calls for relatively little choral participation, and that by female singers only. Eirian Davies took the greater part of the responsibility, her strong and elegant soprano line weaving seductively through the work's richly coloured orchestral textures, efficiently provided here by the London Pro Arte Orchestra. The choral singing, as far as it vent, was marked by a delicate understanding, while the Veni Creator, a work of less delicate passions, brought a more robust response from the entire choir,

again with Davies as the soloist. Both pieces were sung in convincing Polish; both were also fascinating instances of Szy-manowski's rather oblique manner: sometimes marooned between an almost Wagnerian romantic voluntuousness and an angular neo-classical, neo-tonal language. This is music that refuses to be pigeon-holed. Indeed this accounts for much of its

appeal There was also a pair of relatively rarely-heard sacred pieces by Dvořák. It is perhaps no

serious loss that the bombastic Psalm 149 setting does not see the light of day very often, though the ripe nobility of the piece, with its insistent tonic and dominant chords and prominent brass and percussion, has a certain basic appeal. Quite properly the work was delivered (in English) with

great gusto. The Te Deum, however, is another matter, a larger and more sophisticated structure, if ultimately equally resolute. Again Davies made some fine contri-butions, as did Peter Harvey, whose lovely baritone, though still relatively immature, has a bewitching liquid quality which already marks him out as an exceptional singer. The chorus work, inspired as was the rest of the concert by the solid conducting of Murray Stewart, was sturdy

and keen. Here, the orchestra was at its most impressive. Earlier it had seemed distinctly unenthusiastic in Ernst Krenek's Sinfonietta, which is a rather plain and dogged essay. Yet another rarity, a darkhued Adagio composed by Janaček in 1891 inspired better things, notably from the unnamed cor



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The Pirates of Penzance Palladium

TEN years ago in Central Park, New York, Joseph Papp's produc-tion of The Pirates of Penzance changed everyone's notions of how Gilbert and Sullivan should be staged. Out went the arch plumminess of the operetta tradition; in came Cornish policemen with the rubber-limbs of Keystone Cops, a Pirate King oozing Errol Flynn, and a Frederic with a hint of Elvis Presley in his wiggle. Synthesizers and electric guitars galvanized the pit; and the rock-star Linda Ronstadt startled sceptics with her coloratura trills in "Poor Wandering One".

Most diebard G&S devotees remained unscandalized, because Papp's pazazz was matched by his purity. Scarcely one Gilbertian quip was altered; even the horribly protracted "orphan/often" pun was left to run its full, sadistic

Since then, the English have reclaimed their toy. Papp's ver-sion first came to Drury Lane in 1982; the present revival, directed by Peter Walker, has toured the regions and now graces the Palladium. Perhaps Broadway sharpness has been replaced by some traditional English pantomime hamming, to say nothing of

traditional visual gags.
But some of the frantic exuberance of the New York original remains, especially in Act II's setpieces, when the pirates crash through the auditorium for "With cat-like tread", or a wonderfully athletic bunch of spats-wearing policemen tremble at the knees, and everywhere else, as the Major-General's daughters exhort them to "go to glory and the grave!". In fact, this revival's real stars are its choruses of pirates, policemen and daughters: lusty in voice, mes-

ment in comic motion. The billed "stars" are more



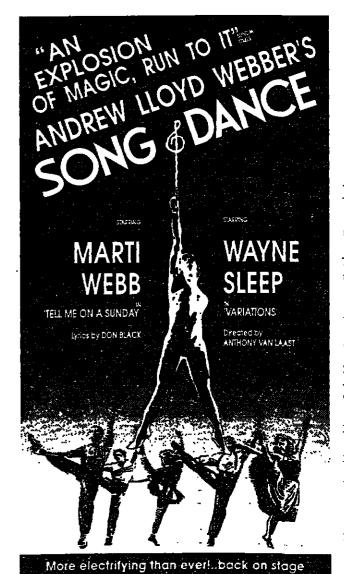
questionable assets. If a stick of seaside rock could sing, it would surely sound like Bonnie Langford. Her Mabel, like Shirley Temple without the Angst, hit a she gave the Carole King treatment to "Sorry her lot" - and that was pinched from HMS Pinafore.

Paul Nicholas's Pirate King needs more swashing and buckling in Act I, and less reliance on the charisms of a famous television face. But he delivered his part in the Act II patter-trio "My eyes are fully open" (another interpolation, this time from Ruddigore) with great clarity, and thereafter enjoyed himself. Frank Thornton's Major-General was another ponderous starter. Given that his

famous patter-song, that was a considerable handicap.

But there was a superb exhibition of manic mime from Simon Browne as the Police Sergeant, strong singing David Ian (Frederic), and a game performance from Patricia Lancaster as Ruth, the "remains of a fine woman". The orchestra displayed more wallop than finesse under Barrie Bignold's direction.

Those who expect spectacular effects from a musical will be disappointed: a cardboard pirateship lurching a few feet hardly rivals the evacuation of Saigon. But Gilbert's puns and paradoxes clearly still tickle modern



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The man who made the Canary fly

What is the reality behind the enigmatic reputation of Paul Reichmann? Barbara Amiel investigates

ne cloud sat dead relations man Tim Bell. "Fil centre in a perfect leave, if you want," he said evening sky over jovially, as tea was brought to the Chelsea Flower him. By the next day, Michael Show last year as Dennis, Mr Reichmann's top sensible hemlines yielded to man in London, who also sat party dresses for the first in on the last part of my Royal Gala Preview. Cor- audience, had recast bits of the porate tents dotted the interview for me, "Paul gives grounds. Robin Leigh- the wrong answers quite un-Pemberton smiled at Lord intentionally, because he Rippon, Lord Rothermere really doesn't remember all bowed to the Princess of the developments." Thus do Wales. Cabinet ministers ex- the worker bees swarm about changed cautionary tales. An the hive. Still, the system onlooker might have heard works well. Swarming keeps the contented voices of the intruder off-balance and London's own, happy among allows time for each side to themselves. In the middle of size the situation up. By the this and that, a small man time I arrived for my private with an ebullient smile dashed interview with Paul Reichover to introduce himself to mann in his hotel suite, Mr Paul Reichmann, presi- ("Should I meet you there?" dent of Olympia & York, the asked Mr Dennis, prepared to construction company that sacrifice another Sunday to was sponsoring the occasion. the cause), the mystique had

"I want to tell you," said Mr been firmly established. Brian Griffiths, head of the Paul Reichmann's backpolicy unit at Number 10 ground is not untypical for a
Downing Street, "how nice it central European Jewish famis to meet you and how ily. The Hungarian-born absolutely marvellous it is to Reichmann family fled to see you wearing that," he Vienna and Morocco in the pointed to the small black war and went to Canada. skullcap Mr Reichmann had There they formed Olympia & on, "in the midst of this." It was a light remark, well- nadian-based company, esti-

meant. The evangelical Chris- mated variously to be worth tian Mr Griffiths meets the £10-15 billion, which is curorthodox Jew Mr Paul rently building London's Ca-Reichmann. But the little nary Wharf. Much can and black skullcap keepah that has been written about the Paul Reichmann wears is the family's saga in the Second most visible aspect of him on World War and the work of first meeting. It is part of the matriarch of the family, legend, the amulet of the three Renee Reichmann, who died brothers, Paul, Albert and only this year. Her untiring Ralph Reichmann, the ortho-schemes to aid and rescue dox Jews whose word is their Jews have deservedly been contract, who do no business described as a mini Raoul on the Jewish sabbath of Wallenberg. Saturday and will not permit their workers to turn a spade frontlines of the urban battle, on Jewish holy days.

HIST THE LAKE AND THE Mr Reichmann, was not so

York Construction, the Ca-

But for those of us on the facing the small insurrections In the past, the family has of Londoners fighting for a maintained legendary secrecy. piece of pavement or a seat on But now, facing some press the bus, the most relevant hostility as the builders of aspect of Paul Reichmann is Canary Wharf, elder brother his vision of Canary Wharf. Paul Reichmann has tiptoed Can it succeed? Is it an towards availability. All the abomination, or is it the shape

Canary Wharf is not simply another developer's grand scheme: it is the absolute extension of the animus and character of Paul Reichmann.

"My conviction," he says, "from day one is completely unaltered. London must and will always have major concentrations in many areas including financial services. Without much additional growth in London there is room for Canary Wharf.

"Existing businesses in London and existing service firms which are large users of space are operating in antiquated circumstances. They have 200 people in an office here and others located elsewhere and so on. They can't put them together under one roof. The central districts have limited capacity for growth and in existing facilities about two-thirds are outdated."

The Reichmanns have made a virtue out of taking existing development prac-tices and standing them on their heads. They have a record of building large projects in times of recession, based on the belief that the contraction of the construction market that takes place at such times creates a future demand for office space. They claim never to budget on the basis of occupancy in the first year, or indeed five years.

Paul Reichmann explains: "What I am saying is that you cannot make a decision based only on today's or tomorrow's in London today and the way developers in the City are reacting to today's economy are such that by the time our project is complete there should be no surplus in the market."

Mr Reichmann's talent

seems to be what Koestler described in The Act of Creation. He sees a new matrix way no one else can do. There are people who can do this in more conveniio much a conversation as an found in some understanding painting or music, and take indeed, to get their lunch and audience in front of public of Paul Reichmann himself. the terrible risk it involves.



The shape of things to come: Paul Reichmann — "Helping others, or doing the right thing, should not be made into a large affair or display"

Paul Reichmann seems to be utions included systems of able to do it with buildings. What separates Paul Reichmann and his brothers from other developers is that they come to their trade with no a priori assumptions about the single correct way to build a project. They have no "baggage", as it were. When they built their first skyscraper, in Toronto, they were also given the received wisdom that construction on a skyscraper costs twice as much as on low or medium-rise buildings. This made no sense to Paul

e explains: "It is

not logical. Cer-tain things like elavators have to cost more because they must go faster and require different equipment. Steel has to cost more because it has more weight to carry but why does air-conditioning or plaster cost more?" Reichmann created a small team of three young men to study the building of skyscrapers and they made the very simple discovery that and puts things together in a reduced labour productivity was the higher cost factor. Men working on a skyscraper ticks of had further The answer, I think, is to be creation such as literature, materials for their work - or,

moveable elevators on cranes an ususual attitude among that could be rearranged at will to take the men to different workstations each day. Cost of the completed complex, First Canada Place. was said to be 40 per cent lower than any competitive

It is in the specific area of financing that Paul Reichmann borders on genius. Pledging leases of gilt-edged tenants, for example, against a mortgage rather than pledging the building itself is one of his innovations. How the brothers have created their multibillion dollar empire without benefit of Bachelor of Commerce degrees, business school or generations of building experience, has been the envy of many.

Attention has focused, symbolically, on the skullcap on Paul Reichmann's head as his devotion to Talmudic studies must in some indirect way fashion a mind that can outwit his competitors.

"This is not correct," Mr Reichmann responds. "I have read about the accomplishment of my family being related to Taimudic studies. What is correct is that eduabsorbs and applies education affects all and everything in the world."

He quotes Albert Einstein as describing the values without which human greatness cannot exist. "He attributed them to his inheritance and the three that he enumerated were first, knowledge for its own sake, secondly dedication to justice to the point of fanaticism and thirdly, independence of the mind or spirit." Then he quotes the rabbinical sages. "Someone who does not increase his knowledge stands still. The one who does not study deserves to die."

This is, to put it generously, developers and is one of the reasons there is so much curiosity about the family. So much money and so severe an attitude to leisure and display. Modest homes in Toronto and a deliberate sense of separateness. What all the quotes fail to convey is the sense of nian poet Petru Dumitriu humour and some natural said: What was peculiar to I realize that while he himself common with a million other believes so much in edu- men." cation, all the people he admires from Descartes to Einstein - and, indeed, himself - never made much of a

success at formal education. They learned, as Reichmann tells me, "from the book of the world." One begins to feel that if all the original thinkers in the world were put on a graph, what they would have in common is neither race, religion or suffering, but rather that they never attended Oxford or Harvard.

Reichmann's religion may require him to keep his head covered, but he shrinks from displaying any other sign of his religiosity, save for an inclination to bow rather than Mrs Thatcher). The family's attitude to charity is said to be hugely generous but discreet. In order to explain why he refuses to list the hospitals and housing projects around the

Biblical verses. me, "To give, you should affair or display."

Reichmanns. Whatever the secret of the family is, it cannot be explained purely by such obvious matters as their orthodox creed. As the Romamodesty in the man. As Caesar will never be found in Reichmann quotes Descartes, the things Caesar had in

till, one can point to the Talmudic influence as a heritage that sharpened and enhanced Reichmann's social vision and this, more than anything else, will be retaries and accountants, the switchboard operators and Reichmann's sense of across the river. community and responsibility comes a sort of grand ache to create spaces that people will enjoy. The earliest discovery he made, after building his first warehouse in Toronto, shake a non-orthodox hand was that people would pay an that of extra penny a square foot for prettier tiles on the floor. Now, in Canary Wharf, the plans are awash with seven

squares, an assembly hall. world which his family fi- dream to put a Winter Garden from the awful inconvenances, he refers to some in the Wharf, just like the huge niences of London, so the light "The verses say," he tells City's World Trade Centre, give'. What does that mean? lunch and listen to concerts. It them. This is a development The Talmud says that the is too grand for England, he is that will benefit the drones, repetition of these words being told by his associates. the office workers, the men means that giving must be a "But, in many instances, al- and women who have no continual matter. It is not a though buildings are beautiful other way to improve the one-time affair. Helping oth- on the outside, working coners, or doing the right thing, ditions on the inside are just should not made into a large miserable," he responds. One Reichmann. "It will work." remembers that a little naivety Paul Reichmann says.

A million people or more is part of genius. The calcularcame through the same cru- ing cynicism which has no cible of Nazi persecution as time for the "why not" apthe Reichmanns and yet none proach to challenges, puts the of them became the strongest brake on human achievement. Reichmann story too good to be true? All one can do is point to the record of a man's life. One assumes that in his actual business dealings, Reichmann is very tough. But what does. this mean? Simply because: something makes business sense does not diminish its." value or generosity. If one can' work out a way to create a development that is good for other people and good for you. that may ultimately be the foundation of good business.

Will Canary Wharf work? What the Reichmanns are doing instinctively seems to be in harmony with the natural evolution of all great cities. Whenever they ran out of receptionists who will flock to space in the old city, they Canary Wharf. Out of naturally evolved a new one I suppose from the larger

point of view, Canary Whari is all vanity - Paul Reichmann's vanity. This may be true, bik. what in life is not vanity? Standing in the middle of the site, the great development. forms for fountains and benches, one can only look with awe at what has been colours of marble, fountains, created in so short a time. The wealthy and powerful are by It is Reichmann's own their very nature separated. atrium he has in New York and spacious offices with fine finishes and convenient bouwhere secretaries eat their tiques will not mean much toquality of their existence other than through the vision of a



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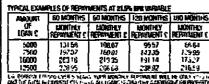
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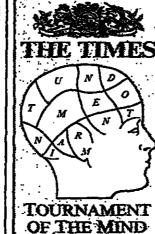
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WEDNESDAY PAGE

Unadulterated agony?

Carol Clewlow, author of A Woman's Guide to Adultery, a sinful-looking novel with an old-fashioned moral message.

What at first looks like a "how to" manual — a deliberate attention-grabbing ploy, causing a few raised eyebrows when it is being read in public (as I discovered) — is really a story of sin and retribution, telling women to beware other women and avoid married

Yet since yesterday's adulterous liaison is, frequently, today's second marriage, is it not somewhat out of tune with the times? The author is mapologetic. Ms Clewlow has made something of a study of the subject, she says, from personal experience as "the other woman", and from observing friends in the throes of adulterous affairs. She beeves that ultimately adultery boils down to women hurting women, and that it is seldom worth the suffering it brings.

Many women swear they will never play even a passive part in breaking up another's marriage - look how often the "other woman" wants the world to know that she has not been a "home wrecker", and that her lover's marriage had broken down before their affair began. But as Elaine Paige put it only this week, having a love affair with a married man was something I didn't want, but in the end Tim [Rice] just became too

difficult to resist". Of course, there are all those helpful clichés to salve the soul, such as: "His wife doesn't understand him... She doesn't make him happy

... How can someone want to hang on to someone who no longer loves them?" But adultery is the oldest cliché of all, Ms Clewlow says. "Any man who uses the line, 'My wife doesn't understand me', usually has a wife who understands him only too well," is married), she insists Rose is the conclusion to which her research has led her. "But maybe men don't want women who understand

Men - and many women might argue that her view is one-sided. But Ms Clewlow trust each other in the same

seems to pat the famous male adulterer on the back, and in the East adultery is acceptable death penalty for a woman.

Married men having affairs are often "the most attractive, the most confident, the most relaxed and easy, and they can only be this way because of the wife at home, the woman who massages their ego and makes them feel good and provides them with the base they need from which to operate successfully", she theorizes. "'Don't nag him or worry him or you'll sound just like his wife' is the cardinal rule of the other woman," she has learnt. And she confesses to harbouring a sneaking sympathy for the vengeful mistress in Fatal

Attraction who refuses to be a

doormat. Her book positively oozes with female pain. "Women," scoffs one of her (male) characters. "They're so stupid. So bloody stupid. Really, they must like to suffer." When the book was published in hardback last year she got a number of letters from women pouring out their pain to her, and she anticipates a flood when it becomes more accessible in paperback. It is about the lives of eight women wives and mistresses - and four men, all strenuously trying to deceive each other.

Rose is a mature student who reluctantly falls in love with her married tutor, but is bornfied at breaking her own personal commandment that thou shalt not make another woman unhappy"; in fact, she embodies much of the author's own angst about adultery.

But although Ms Clewlow was a mature student (she went to university at 35 to read English and philosophy) who has known the pain of being the other woman (she has never technically committed adultery, she claims, because she has never been not entirely autobiographical.

"I'm 43 years old and it would be extraordinary if I hadn't had affairs," she says. "But I'm not Rose. Characters start off from ideas you take on in the real world and then they take off with a life of their maintains that "men do not own." (As one of her characters observes: "You fall in love Alexandra King

finds out about the pain of the

eternal triangle —

for the 'other

woman' as well as the deceived wife

and you think it's your story... your plot and your narrative, and you think you're in charge. But then suddenly there's a twist in the plot and you find out that it was never your story at all ... you were just a chapter.")
Yet Rose is writing a novel

about female pain to exorcize the agonies of her affair, just as Ms Clewlow uses writing books to exorcize unpleasant elements of her own life. Keeping the Faith, her first novel (shortlisted for the Whithread First Novel Award in 1988), was about "someone brought up in an enclosed religion" like the Plymouth Brethren, the Protestant evangelical faith in which she herself was raised. "I probably

ercise," she agrees, "but it didn't turn out to be as cathartic as I meant it to be. It

book on adultery. "This was meant to be cathartic," she says, "but I'm not so sure." says, "but I'm not so sure." Still, the fact that she is now working on a third novel unattached fortysomethings "who have been through the mill" could earl blushes when asked if she is in love and might ever, in view of all she knows about its

ities, consider marriage. She finds it depressing that adultery is on the increase, "particularly among women, just when female solidarity is supposed to be so high. We were going to be the keepers of a higher morality," she says wryly, "but we seem to be aspiring to a male order.
"It may say something

about women's greater sexual-ity and self-confidence and financial equality, but it doesn't seem as if adultery is a good step forward, like crèches and equal pay."

We may have come a long way from Nathaniel Hawthorne's Hester Prynne, forced

for adulteress - on her breast, but when the man is welcomed back to the bosom of brought things out, but didn't dispel the pain."

The same seems true of her cold with a burning ache in her chest, branded forever by the experience. Moreover, any wife whose marriage is worth saving usually suspects her husband's infidelity, Ms Clewlow is convinced, even if she considers it more prudent not to voice her doubts - so

trust is destroyed and, like the

wives in the book, she can

become sad, bitter or

Ms Clewlow says she found it hard to reconcile her own role in hurting other women with her feminist views, and she is emphatic that now she can no longer envisage having an affair with a married man The infidelity to his wife would diminish him in my

eyes," she says. Still, she derives semantic satisfaction from the discovery that "to adulterate" is "to debase with an inferior material". As Rose says: "Being a woman, I like that."

(C) Times Newsp A Woman's Guide to Adultery by Carol Clewlow is published tomorrow (Penguin, £3.99)



Guilt-edged insecurity: detail from The Awakening Conscience by Holman Hunt

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views and information

Meal and a chat?

NOW that we're becoming blase about health food shops, and even supermarkets are selling organic and additivefree foods, one gimmick to keep us ahead of the competition is the in-store nutrition and diet consultant. Wild Oats, the massive wholefoods outlet at 210 Westbourne Grove, London W11 2RH (01-229 1063), is year-old Marina Dervan, a self-taught nutritionist who formerly worked for a dietary supplement company. An hour's nutritional analysis which must be booked at least a week in advance - costs £10, and includes a second visit to

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Chanel bagged

The "belt beg" popularized by skiers, hikers and people nervous about having their handbags snatched has become the hottest fashion accessory. The season's chic-est is by Chanel for £550, but Fenwick's is already taking orders for its new suede belt bags which combine Chanel-look quilting on a Chanel-style chain belt for a mere £19.95. They will be in the store from next week in assorted colours.

Pupil cook

Out of the mouths of children come some delicious ideas. An "imaginative healthy and bal-

anced meal" was the brief given to children entering the first "Sainsbury's Young Cook of Britain" competition in 1989. The title was won by 13year-old Kathryn Cleverley from Suffolk with a recipe for celery and orange chicken which has now taken its place on Sainsbury's shelves as a ready-prepared meal at a modest 240 calories a portion. Two-portion packs cost £2.99.

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"Very neat hair is a sign of anxiety, rather like having a box of paper hankies in the back window of a car.'

Tiffany touch Tiffany's in London has im-

ported the "Tiffany Touch" personal shopping scheme from its New York store. Busy people can leave their sta-tionery at the Old Bond Street shop and telephone in orders for anything from a £25 pen to a £25,000 emerald necklace to be delivered with the appropriate note at a specified time and place. "People are very specific about where they want things delivered," says Fiona Ward, who managed the scheme at Tiffany's in New York. "And they usually want the messenger to deliver it personally rather than just leaving it at a hotel desk." For celebrations she recommends two crystal champagne flutes (£10 each) or a crystal ice bucket (£30) which can be sent with a bottle of the champagne of your choice. A popular choice is the sterling silver golf putter at £460 - delivered to the golf club, Tiffany's recommends, for the greatest effect. (Details from 01-409 2790.)

Victoria McKee

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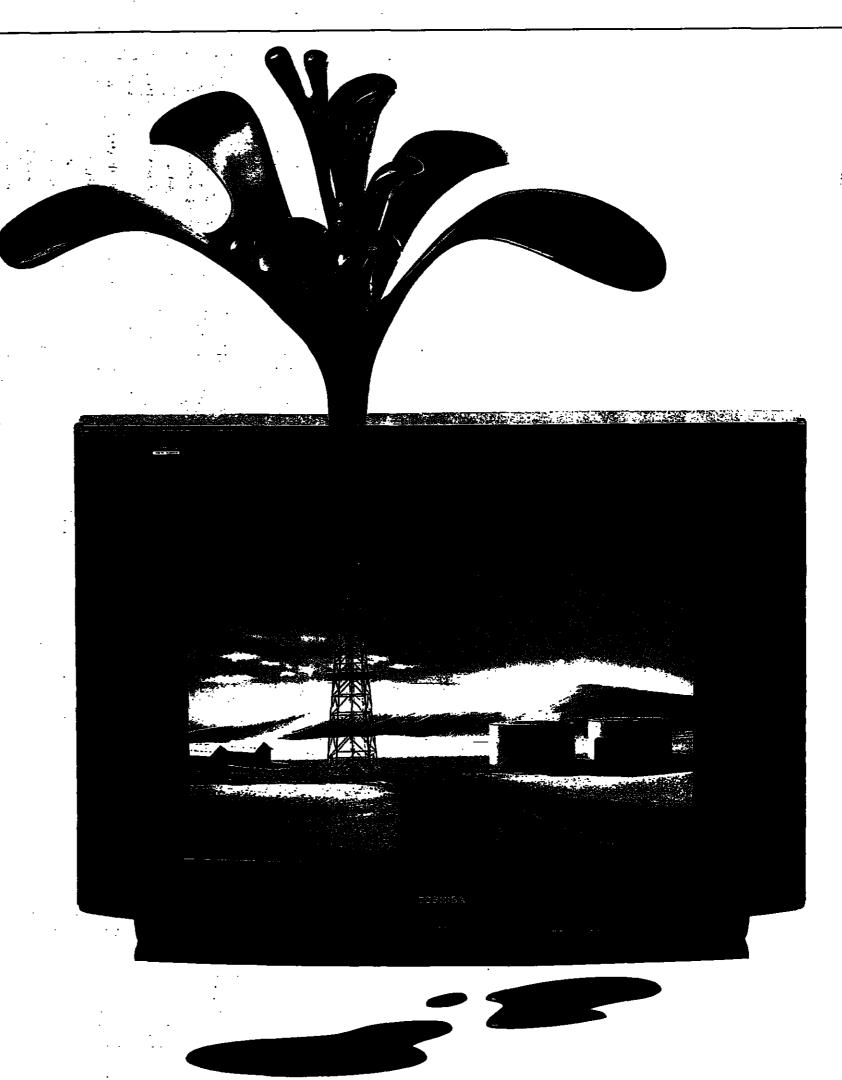
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Michael Evans reports on the Falklands transformation.

dards of Europe and its fash-Fish, not sheep, are now the main source of income and the ion-conscious capital cities, it streets of the tiny capital, Port is a reputation well merited. Stanley, are as likely to be But life on the islands has filled with Russians, Koreans, changed considerably since or Japanese as they are with British soldiers. In The Times on Saturday,



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Reporter and the right to inquire

Charles Wintour

the freelance journalist who worked for the Observer, hasbeen the attempt by what Mr Conrad Black calls "the Worsthornian college" at the Sunday Telegraph to place some of the responsibility for the reporter's death on his editor, Mr Donald Trelford, and to claim that he "seems almost to believe that being an investigative journalist confers diplomatic immunity". At the weekend Mr Treiford, who campaigned so honourably for elemency, wrote to the Sunday Telegraph pointing out several glaring errors of fact in its comment, including the crucial point that the Observer had never sent Mr Bazost to Iraq even once let alone "no less than . five times"; he was, however, invited by the Iraqis of isix occasions. Yet the anonymous writer who concluded "what on earth did the Observer think it was doing in sending this unfortunate franian to the slaughter house?" was apparently too spiteful, or too ashamed, to

A. more. substantial point about a reporter's rights was raised by a Mr Colin Roberts, who wrote to The Times

suggesting that newspapers appear to believe that being a journalist elevates a person above both his fellow citizens and, in this [Bazoft's] case, other governments". If newspapers or other media ever give that impression, they are clearly wrong. But it is one thing to say that a journalist has no higher legal status than an ordinary citizen, and quite another to state that he should have no more curiosity than the next man. Indeed, unbridled curiosity coupled with robust scepticism are the predominant characteristics of a good reporter.

Normally a reporter is employed on straightforward news, such as the impending resignation of the Archbishop of Canterbury, or human interest stories, such as the birth of a royal baby, or on any one of many specialist areas of interest. But if a major investigation into some suspected scandal or injustice has been put in train, the reporter will use all his abilities to establish the facts in the service of the public, and if a scandal or injustice can be proved, for the same purpose. In a forceful Cameron Memoriai Lecture last week, Ms Liz Forgan, director of programmes of Channel 4, said that the argument about freedom of expression was sometimes described as a conflict between the interests of the media and those of the public. "Not so," Ms Forgan said. "The former only has

he nastiest sequel to the barbaric any claim to legitimacy in so far as it hanging of Mr Farzad Bazoft, represents the latter." Exactly the same principle applies to journalists; their right to investigate derives solely from their role as servants of the public. They have no divine right to pry and to probe as they will, regardless of any damage they may do either to individuals or to groups. Their licence to inquire and to report derives purely from "the public

But how is "the public interest" to be defined? It is one of those phrases like "a fair deal" or "responsible behaviour" which can be trotted out on suitable occasions, and interpretation usually depends mainly on the interests of the party concerned. Certainly there is more than one view of what comprises "the public interest". A government will not wish some dubious ministerial deal to be exposed. The judges do not wish judicial prejudice to be nailed. A local council will not welcome a searchlight being thrown on corrupt land deals involving members of the majority party. A prominent official

may not wish his sleazy relations to be exposed. A public company may not want the murky activities of a subsidiary to see the

light of print. And they might all claim, for one reason or another, that publication was "against the public interest".

o far as Official Secrets are concerned, this particular Government does not even wish the judges to exercise their judgement on what is and what is not "in the public interest", for they have struck out the possibility of defence along those lines. A whistle-blower against iniquity in high places could not make that plea, however justified it might seem to the world

But journalists must weigh up the public interest almost every day. Since they live by reporting, it is hardly surprising if, sometimes, their interpreta-tion of the phrase is a shade broader than that countenanced by the apparatchiks of Whitehall and the expensive legal advisers to the City. The public — the people who pay the taxes and the charges, who buy the shares, who cast the votes, who get taken for a ride far too often - are lucky that the journalists, of both newspapers and other media, do investigate as wide a range of abuses as possible. For their inquiries provide by far the most effective check on abuses of power in this country. And that really is "in the

Radio soap in a lather

A Merseyside radio serial is dead, killed off

by its own success. Bernard Silk reports

race Archer has nothing on this - earlier this month, in another radio soap, fire engulfed a pub and killed almost the entire cast. It was a suitably sensational last episode for the BBC Radio Merseyside soap opera The Merseyiders, which has been surrounded by off-air goings-on as gripping as any

Keith Birch created (and retained the rights to) The Merseysiders, claimed to be Britain's first local radio soap, although others have followed; and it was he who pulled the plug on the popular twice-weekly drama of everyday Scouse folk after Radio Merseyside failed to meet his new demands for the series - a daily slot, plus an omnibus edition at weekends. Now Mr Birch has dreamt up a completely new soap, currently under consideration by Radio Merseyside's commercial arch-rival, Radio City. The BBC station, meanwhile, is looking at other soap ideas to replace The Merseysiders, whose antics were regularly followed by half a million

The BBC told me that the series was a fantastic success," Mr Birch says: "We had broadcast 160 10minute episodes over 20 months, but within the morning programme pre-sented by Billy Butler. I felt it had grown so popular it deserved its own daily slot. Because many people are at work during the day - even here on Merseyside - it would have made sense to repeat key excerpts at

Part-funded by local health and education authorities and voluntary organizations, The Merseysiders' storylines included references to Aids, abortion, prostitution and loan sharking, in order to put over information on social issues amid tales of a working class Scouser family. Among the group of pro-fessional actors - all local - who made up the cast were Jennifer Moss (once Lucille Hewitt in Coronation Street), and two Brookside actors -Ricky Tomlinson and Dean Sullivan. Another actress, Mandy Walsh, was seen in the film Letter to Brezhnev.

"Like TV soap viewers, listeners often wrote in as if the characters were real people," Mr Birch says. "When one was having an affair, dozens sent letters to his on-air wife, tipping her off about what was going on.
"One of the actors, who played a



Local hero: Keith Birch, creator and destroyer of The Merseysiders

big, bombastic, unpleasant type, was attacked by umbrella-wielding women at a Liverpool bingo hall. There were Merseysider fan clubs from Liverpool to Dublin to Australia, and the rogramme was featured on Channel 4's Media Show."

Local, unpublished writers were heavily involved in the series, according to Mr Birch. "We gave them the chance to write trial scripts and then become part of a script-writing team of six which was changed periodically.

At least three of the writers have moved on to other script jobs - one is now with Brookside, another is joining the Coronation Street writing team and a third is going to The Archers."

Now The Merseysiders are no more. despite public petitions and local newspaper calls for their lives to be spared. "It's especially sad because we were running it on a shoestring, so I can't see that money would be a problem," Mr Birch laments. "I worked out that it would only cost around an extra £9,000 a year to incorporate the changes I was asking for, which isn't very much even in local radio terms."

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Now Mr Birch is working on a television play, and offering to act as consultant to any local radio station which wants its own low-budget domestic drama using local talent. Meanwhile, his new scap ideas are under consideration at Radio City.

There, programme controller Tony logham explains: "I was asked if I would take over The Merseysiders, but we don't want the BBC's cast-offs. However, we are looking at the possibilities of a radio scap on our new news and information channel. City Talk. Keith's ideas are under consideration and it is possible we may be able to agree on a new Merseyside-based soap.

At Radio Merseyside, managing editor Richard Duckenfield says. "I didn't think the moves Keith was proposing were either practicable or desirable. Radio Merseyside is the most listened-to local radio station in the country, and the Bully Butler Show is our most popular programme, so we couldn't broadcast it to a bigger audience. Any switch of its slot would have meant fewer listeners."

As for an omnibus edition: "The idea appealed to me, but the repeat fee we would have had to pay the actors at Equity rates would be more than we could afford

"Keith seems to have pulled a figure of £9,000 out of the air, which I think is very much on the low side, but even that is a lot of money in local radio terms. People believe that we have the resources of national radio and television drama departments - but we haven't. Radio Merseyside costs its listeners about 5p per week from the licence fee, according to the figures."

Duckenfield regrets the passing of The Mersey-siders, but says he would have been happy to leave things as they were. "It was a pioneering idea which attracted huge popularity. The decision to withdraw it was Keith's alone and we just had to agree to Now a replacement is being sought

"I'm very keen to go ahead with another soap. There is a wealth of local writing talent and we are examining several proposals. I don't see it becoming a battle of the soaps with Radio City, but if they were to schedule a new series against ours, we are always ready for competition."

Mr Mike Hewitt, the editor of Journalist's Week, was reported last week as describing his publication as a "print industry magazine". This should have read "media industry

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Giving brands a break

What's the value in a name? And should its worth be included in a company's profits? Andrew Lycett reports

group Nestlé spent tured. £2.55 billion ac- This quiring Rowntree Mackintosh, the York-based chocolate company. But tangible worth — its traditions. its marketing infrastructure and above all, its established confectionery brands, with names including KitKat, Smarties, After Eight, Polo Mints and Yorkie.

Around the same time the American food and tobacco giant, Philip Morris, paid \$129 billion to purchase Kraft, with its eponymous cheese products and its host of brand names, such as Miracle Whip. This time the price was four times the tangible assets. Both Nestlé and Philip Morris had calculated that such brands as KitKat and Kraft had some intrinsic worth, over

SHARP-EYED viewers of tonight's

decided to change tack.

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in which they were manufac-

This was the extravagant 1980s, remember: the height of the mergers and acquisitions boom. Branded Rowntree's physical assets — its plant and its stock — were worth only a fifth of that amount. The rest was Nestle's valuation of Rowntree's increases, opportunities for licensing. A whole new service industry of brand valuation sprang up. However, once companies

had put a price on their brands, they were beset by the problem of how to represent that price on their balance sheets. This problem has become particularly acute in Britain, where the Accounting Standards Committee (ASC) proposed last month that the value put on brands is part of a company's traditional goodwill and must be written off against profits in company accounts over a period of 20 to

Three weeks ago, however,



Cadbury announced that it had added £309 million to its balance sheet to reflect the value of acquisitions, including Trebor and Bassett, made since 1985.

It further added that it would not be writing off these figures, as suggested by the ASC in what remains, for the moment, the equivalent of a consultative document.

For Cadbury the debate is more than academic. Without this recent valuation, more of its assets would have been financed by borrowings than by shareholders' funds. At a stroke, Cadbury boosted its company's overall valuation. accountant with Price Water-

The third is that the ASC acquire the funds to make maintains there is no effective more brand acquisitions, and means of evaluation. more difficult for potential predators to attempt a takedustry thinks this is rubbish.

The ASC quotes reasons why it is necessary to amortize the value of brands. One is that a brand is not a lifelong asset: you cannot be sure of its benefits flowing forever. The second is that a brand can take a knock in the marketplace, as Perrier recently experienced and, the ASC argues, it is better to have a gradual, rather than a sudden, drop in a

Mr Birkin, formerly an

The nascent branding in-

Michael Birkin, chief exec-

utive of Interbrand, a British

company which claims to be

the leading international

brand consultancy, says:

conceived. What is a company

supposed to do in 15 to 20

"What the ASC proposes is ill-

house, adds: "I don't believe in depreciation unless one has something to depreciate. The accountancy profession is trying to fit a system thought up 30 to 40 years ago on to business in the 1990s." In other words, brands and other intangible assets are different from plant and machinery, which clearly have a limited

Now industries that fall more obviously into the ser-vice sector are following this lead. In 1988, the marketing services group WPP, headed by Martin Sorrell, decided to incorporate in its balance sheet the value of the brand names of its subsidiary companies, J. Walter Thompson and Hill and Knowlton, which are market leaders in advertising and public relations

Announcing its preliminary

results two weeks ago, WPP stated that it intended to do the same with The Ogilvy Group, acquired last year. Supporting a brand is a lifetime's art. Advertising industry sources suggest that some manufacturers, with high profitability, spend as much as 10 per cent of their sales revenue on advertising. However, last year Rowntree spent only £5 million promoting KitKat, which had sales of £175 million.

This year the spend will be more since, despite a significant increase in sales, the company has discovered that teenagers are not buying as many KitKats as expected. It has decided to spend a "significant" amount sponsoring the annual rock music festival at Knebworth, Hertfordshire, in June.

Some of the biggest names years' time, when its brand in rock - Elton John, the values are all written off? Does Rolling Stones and Genesis are among those being banit simply write them all back died about as possible headliners. In such ways are the values of brands maintained.

A green giant turns nasty

Consumerism has become the new target for activists. Nicola Chapman reports

reen consumerism, the desire for environ-mentally-friendly products which many British anufacturers have turned to profitable advantage, is beginning to change in a way that will be more difficult to exploit. Radical activists have begun attacking not only overpackaged supermarket goods and unnecessary pollution, but consumerism itself.

The Nature programme on BBC 2 tomorrow investigates a potential problem for manufacturers. Jeremy Bugler, editor of the programme, says: "Although 'deep greens' only account for a small percentage of the population, they are becoming more influential and have a serious contribution to make in getting people to change their values.

In a contentions new book to be published next month titled A Thousand and One Ways to Save the Planet, Bernadette Vallely, a director of the Women's Environmental Network criticizes marketing and advertising.
As well as exhorting readers

to eschew, among other things, microwave ovens, beauty treatments and disposable nappies because, she says, they are environmentally unfriendly, Ms Vallely insists: "Marketing relies on pseudoscientific language that proves nothing at all about the benefits of the product."

can afford to advertise on television is usually promoting a highly manufactured and manipulated product. The principles altogether. cost is also passed on to you, Mr Bugler says: "A new cost is also passed on to you,

The book has already presold 50,000 copies - 47,000 more than originally estimated - and has been chosen by its publisher, Penguin, as book of the month for April.

free aerosols, biodegradable packaging, environment- where the goal posts will move friendly labels and green-con- to next."

appease the green lobby. which regards many of their claims with suspicion.

A report from the advertis ing agency Ogilvy and Mather, based on more than 1,000 interviews, concludes that while 81 per cent of adults consider the environment the most important issue facing the country, people are no longer prepared to ply more for green products.

Ann Curtis, who compiled the report, says: "Consumers are becoming highly sceptical of the advertising and marketing industry. We believe that going green now requires a company to make a strict evaluation of itself, taking into account things such as factories and suppliers as well as the end product." One com-pany which claims to have adopted this strategy is Alberto-Culver, best known for its shampoos. In November last year, the company introduced Pure & Clear, a biodegradable shamboo cont-aining natural ingredients. Sales have already exceeded first-year targets and the company has now begun a wideranging corporate review of all

n other parts of Europe, companies such as Volvo and Volkswagen have led the way in making corporate changes based on environmental considerations. How-Her book criticizes the role ever, observers believe that of advertising. "Don't be while companies must begin fooled... A company that analysing themselves and the products they sell thore carefully, it is unrealistic to expect them to abandon marketing

consumer sensibility is definitely taking over. People will not stop consuming, but I think we could be entering a period when driving fast cars, for example, will be out of fashion. To some extent, com-Despite the launch of CFC- panies have realized this already and are now wondering

advertising, . Nature is broadchest tomorrow manufacturers have failed to at 8.30pm on BBC 2.

Metaxa goes offside

football friendly between England and Brazil, at Wembley Stadium, might notice something missing from the sidelines. For years, Metaxa has advertised on billboards GrandMet marketing team says Metaxa's move on to billboards at around sports grounds - with little the 1982 World Cup in Spain was effect on consumption — and now the Greek spirit's new owners have shrewd. "It got in at low cost and built brand awareness very ef-Grand Metropolitan, the drinks. ficiently, especially in football-lovleisure and hotels group, recently ing areas in northern Europe and bought Metaxa - it is not strictly South America," says Noel Toolan,

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such as the United Kingdom and the United States. Metaxa has failed to capitalize on awareness to build brand values. Awareness helps, but it doesn't sell bottles: our strategic concentration will be on getting people to taste it."

Billboard advertising remains effective, Mr Toolan thinks, where the brand is already known and loved in Greece and, to a work West Germany. But billboards have

"We are now negotiating against the likes of IBM, Xerox and Esso." Y&R's UK marketing manager, Mike Herbert, says that 22 per cent

of adults in this country have heard of Metaxa, but sales (they do not disclose figures) are negligible. Those who know it tend to associate it with a rather rough drink consumed late at night in tavernas.
With a £500,000 advertising bud-

get, GrandMet and Y&R hope to reposition Metaza as a premium-

priced speciality spirit (at £10.35, cheaper than Southern Comfort but considerably more expensive than whisky, vodka or gin at around £7.50). It ranges in quality from 3star to 7-star: only the latter will be sold here. The advertising — probably Press and posters - will try to build on the values of relaxation that people who know it associate with Metaxa. .

Football would not suit the new sophisticated image. "Now, trial sampling at fancy operas ... that would very much fit in with what we're trying to do," Mr Toolan says.

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7 GRACE JONES: The forthright and dependably extrovert slave to the rhythm, whose fortunes have waxed and waned mightily since her last British dates, the notorious "one man show" of eight yeers ago.

Tonight, tomorrow: Brixton Academ 211 Stockwell Road, London SW9 (01-326 1022), 7pm, £15. Sat Brighton Centre, Kings Road (0273 202881). 7.30pm, £12.50. Sun: BIC, Exeter Road, Bournemouth (0202 297297), 7.30pm,

COWBOY JUNKIES: Toronto's most celebrated depressives wallowing in a mire of pained introspection. Their fragile neo-country rock metodies are defined by the racked singing of Margo Timmins, who frequently sounds as if

she is about to expire.
Tonight: Pavilion, 121 Renfield Street,
Glasgow (041 332 1845), 7.30pm, 25.5028.50. Tomorrow: Redcar Bowl, Majuba Road (0642 480636), 7.30pm, 26. Surc. Royal Exchange, St Annes Squere, hester (061 833 9833), 7.30pm, 26-£7. Mon: Birminghara Town Hell, Vic-toria Square (021 236 2392), 7.30pm, £6-

CURIOSITY KILLED THE CAT: Erratic pop-funksters who have matured musi-cally but lost considerable momentum since their Keep Your Distance heyday of three years ago. Tonight: Town & Country, 8-17 Highgate Road, London NV5 (01-284 0303), 7.30pm, 28.

DAVID BOWIE: Continuing the "Sound and Vision" tour, a glorious live greatest hits show to promote the Charge

E14 (01-538 1212), 8pm, £25.

THE ICICLE WORKS: Unjustly overlooked Liverpuditan band led by the doughty ian McNabb. Their latest single "Motorcycle Rider", a chugging blast of cheerful, big-twang pop, has so far failed Tonight: Coventry Polytechnic, Priory · Street (0203 631313), 7.30pm, £5. To-Lane, Northampton (0604 21408), 7.30pm, 25. Fri: Polytechnic of Wales, Forest Grove, Treforest (0443 408227), 7.30pm, £5. Sat: Exeter University, The Lemon Grove (0392 283263), 7.30pm, 25. Mon: Tewn & Country, 8-17 Highgate Road, London NW5 (01-284 0303). 7.30pm, £6.50.

LITHER VANDROSS: Smooth but no longer svelte soul man. An impeccably stylish and immensely popular performer even if it is impossible to hum any of his

Tonight, Fri: Wembley Arena, Empire Way (01-902 1234), 7.30pm, £16-£18.50. THE ALARM: Increasingly slick post-punk rockers with a mission to champion the Weish language by conquering the American charts, return from a European tour to play a charity one-off in vocalist Mike Peters's flood-hit home town. Tonight: Postine Holiday Centre, Prestatyn (0745 62267), 7pm, £8.

FI KIE BROOKS: From the rough and tumble of Seventies' R'r.'B vagabonds Vinegar Joe to Eightles' middle-of-theroad solo star, she has always been a singer of grace, determination and

Tonight: Brighton Centre, Kings Road (0273 202881), 7pm, £8.50-£9.50. Tomorrow: BIC, Exeter Road, Bournemouth (0202 297297), 7.30pm, 27.50Big-time for good-timers



Left to right: Guy Fletcher, Mark Knopfler, Steve Phillips and Brendan Croker of the Norting Hillbillies

hen Mark Knopfler started playing again with his old guitar-picking cronies from Leeds, Brendan Croker and Steve Phillips, his intention was to re-establish contact with the roots music in which his gritar playing is grounded, and to remind himself of the relatively unpressurized realities of a jobbing musician's lifestyle after years in the touring colossus that his band, Dire Straits, had become. Gradually the idea of forming a new group developed. Keyboard player Guy Fletcher (from Dire Straits) was recruited; a jokey name - the Notting Hillbillies - was chosen; a throwaway album title Missing . . . Presumed Having a Good Time suggested a light-hearted mood; and a long, but determinedly low-key tour was planned. Perhaps inevitably, the project is now beginning to look like a more serious business than it was originally intended

to be. The album was given a major push by Phonogram and very nearly topped the chart; the band has been the subject of several weighty media appraisals; and the music, consisting mainly of obscure country and western and gospel/blues material, although scrupulously researched and performed, sounds anything but "good-time". The tour begins next week, and remains, in essence, the small-scale marathon that was initially conceived, ending on May 14 at the Dominion in London. For all the excited talk of the esprit de corps and the mood of adventure, the passing impression remains that it is merely the start of Knopfler's Antiques Roadshow. Monday: Assembly Rooms, Crescent Road, Tunbridge Wells (0892 30613), 7.30pm, £7.50-£8.50. Tuesday: Civic Hall, London Road, Guildford (0483 David Sinclair 444555), 7.30pm, £8.50.

29.50. Fri. Sat: Hammersmith Odeon Queen Caroline Street, London W6 (01-748 4081), 7.30pm, 28.50-29.50. FISH: Ex-Marition front man touting a new hit "A Gentleman's Excuse Me" taken from his preposterously over-wrought solo debut Vigil in a Wilderness

of Mirrors. Tonight: Apollo, Ardwick Green, Manchester (061 273 3775), 7.30pm, £8-29. Tomorrow: St Davids Hatl, The Hayes, Cardiff (0222 371235), 7.30pm, 29. Sat: Royal Concert Hall, Theatre Square, Nottingham (0602 482626). 7.30pm, 29. Sun, Mon: Hamme Odeon, Queen Caroline Street, London

W6 (01-748 4081), 7.30pm, £9-£10. THAT PETROL EMOTION: Fierce kish nationalist politicos who have yet to repeat the jagged brilliance of their 1986 début, Manic Pop Thrill. Their new album Chemicrazy, produced by R.E.M. acolyte Scott Litt, is stend for release on April 9. Tonight: Subterania, 12 Acidam Road, London W10 (01-961 5490), 7.30pm, 26. IT BITES: Cumbrian techno-flashers still best known for "Calling all the Heroes" and now getting a bit desperate for a

major breakthrough. Frt. Sheffield City Hall, Barkers Pool (0742 735295), 7pm, £6.50. Sat: Berrowlands, 244 Gallowgate, Glasgow (041 552 4601), 7.30pm, £7.10. Mor: Chric Half, London Road, Guildford (0483 444555), 7pm, £6.50. Tues; H bird, Dale End, Birmingham (021 236

4238), 7.30cm, 26.50. BIRDLAND: Their speedy pop and rathe hackneyed aggressive stance has got them wall-to-wall coverage in the specialist press, but the breakthrough to wider accizim remains etusive. Thrill also to the supporting line-up of Carter, The Unstoppable Sex Machine, Silverfish, Cud and the Cateran. Sat: Brixton Academy, 211 Stockwell

Road, London SW9 (01-326 1022), 7pm, THE CRAMPS: Slight return of the high-

kitsch psychobilly warnors led by the deranged duo of Lux Interior and Poison Sur: Town & Country, 8-17 Highgate Road, London NW5 (01-264 0303),

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JAZZ Clive Davis

JAZZ & POETRY: Michael Horowitz

declaims in the company of planist Stan Tracey, best known perhaps for his Linder Milkwood suite. Tonight Bobby Brown's Cafe, 64 Mans-

field Road, Nottingham (0602 501401), doors open 7.30pm, £4.50. **BOULOU & ELIOS FERRE: Prone to** exchausting flights of fancy, the gyspy

guitansts mix Django Reinhardt in

fluences with elements of bop and, sometimes, baroque. Toright: Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 8800), 7.30pm, 26-28.50. Thurs, Sat Pizza Express, 10 Dean Street, London W1 (01-439 8722), 9.30pm, 26. Sun, Mon: Albert Inn, Wast Street, Bristol (0272 661968), 8.30pm, 25. Tues: South Hill Park Arts Centre, Bracknell (0344 484123), 8pm, 26.

JOHN SCOFIELD: The former Miles Davis guitarist rounds off his tour with his quartet including saxophonist Joe

Tonight: St George's, Brandon Hill, Bristol (0272 230359), Spm, £7.50. Tomorrow: The Irish Centre, York Road, Leeds (0532 480687), 8pm, £7. Fri: Queen's 2019), 8.30pm, 27.

GORDON BECK: More active on the Continent than this country, the keypoards player is accompanied by base Jeff Clyne and drummer John Marshall. Tonight: Bass Clef. 35 Coronet Street, London N1 (01-729 2476), 8.45pm, £4.50. Tomorrow: Stamford Arts Centre, 27 St Mary's Street (01-780 63203), 8pm, £4. Fri: Cambridge Modern Jazz Club, Flambards, Rose Crescent (Info: 0223 62550), 8pm, £5-£6. Sat: Meltinge Arts Centre, The Meltings, St Albans (0727 44222), 8pm, £5.

ED JONES: Another of the Coltraneinfluenced contenders for the crown of best young British tenor player. Tomorrow: Vortex Jazz Ber, 139 Stoke Newington Church Street, London N16 (01-254 6516), 8.30pm, £3. Sat: Exeter &

Devon Arts Centre, Gandy Street (0392 219741), 8pm, £3.50. MARIAN MONTGOMERY: Sophisticated

standards from the singer's extensive back catalogue. Sat: HD Restaurant, West Yard, Camden Lock, London NW1 (01-485 6044), set begins 10.45pm, £5.

RUDE HOT JAZZBREAK: A trad-lover's gala with performances by the tikes of Steve Lane's Red Hot Peppers and John Shillito and the Pihythm Aces. Fri-Sun: Hotel Penervor, Crooklets, Bude, Comwali (0288 352036), tickets

from £45, including bed and breakfast. CEDAR WALTON: Taking over from saxophonist James Moody on Monday, the ex-Blakey planist will be in residence for two weeks, taking his quartet through the neo-bop hoops. From Mon: Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0747), 9.30pm, Mon-Thurs £10 (members £2);

JOHN BUTCHER: Unique sexophonist combines subtle improvisation with weighty solos. Including Smead Jones,

Fri-Sat £12 (members £6).

Philip Jeck with their group Stant avent-rock meets popular song form. Mont The Sessions, Bull's Head, 87 Rectory Grove (01-326 1378), Spm start, 23 (22 concs).

WORLD MUSIC

David Toop

VOICE OF JEWISH RUSSIA: Five Cantors and a male voice chor may be an attraction for some, but surely the main craw at this panorums of Russian-Jewish life will be the ensemble specializing in Klezmer, one of the widest forms of music known to Tonight Feetival Half, The South Bank, London, SE1 (01-928 8800), 7.45pm.

S.E. ROGIE: Congenial Palm Wine guitarist and singer, originally from Sierra Leone, but now spreading his wit and wisdom among British audiences. Tonight: Willesden Green Library Centre, High Road, NW10 (01-451 0294).

EDWARD II & THE RED HOT POLKAS: Musical mongrel of English traditional folk accordions crossbred with reggae bass and drums; loveeble mutt or dangerous dog? Tonight Astoria, Charing Cross Road, London, WC2 (01-434 0403), 7.15pm (prompt start), £1.

KABA MANE: Final four dates for this axcellent singer/guitarist from Guinee-Bissau, leading his 10-piece band. Bissall, leading its to-peed cern. Tonight: Riverside Ente, Melbourne Street, Newcastle (051 261 4365), 7.30pm, £4. Tomorrow: Moseley Dence Centre, Moseley Road, Birmingham (021 449 0779), 9pm. 25. Fri: Brewary Arts Centre, Highets, Kandal (0539 725 133), 8.15pm, £5.

ANGELIQUE KIDJO: Singer from Benin who will doubtless attract a large number of Nigerian and Ghanasan supporters. Fri, Sat: Africa Cenzre, King Street, London WC2 (01-836 1973), 9pm, £7.

SAMBATUCADA: British based band who play a mox of Brazilian percussion

Fri; Bass Clef, Coronet Street, London N1 (01-729 2476), 8.30pm, 26.50. CREOLE: Nine-piece band of musicians from Dominica and Guadeloupe, lead by Cameron Pier. The music will be fast, energetic zouk. Sat: Bess Clef, Coronet Street, London N1 (01-729 2476), 8.30pm, 26.50.

GEOFFREY ORYEMA: Ugandan songwriter and musician who escaped from idi Amin's regime into Kenya, then Paris. Now experimenting with African folidoric forms and new instruments. Sun: Ronnie Scott's Club, Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0740), 8pm, £5.

RAVI SHANKAR: Cultural Ambassador and master of the siter. Shanker calebrates his seventieth birthday in the company of friends from both European and Indian classical music. Tues: Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London SW7 (01-589 8212), 7pm, £15-

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CINEMA GUIDE

films in London and (where indicated with the symbol •) on release across the country.

ABEL: Bright Dutch comedy about ternity tensions from theatre teleni Alex van Warmedan.

A CITY OF SADNESS (18): HOLL Halao halen's magisterial fresco of life in turbulent post-wat Talwar.

but outstand account of a rest-life East German defection. Martin Sheen, Sam Wanemaker. Cannon Tottenbern Court Road (01-636 6145).

RUDE AWAKENING (15): Uneven comedy with a conscience about

Odeon Marble Arch (01-723 2011). STRAPLESS (15): Dave Hare's ingriquing drame about love.

TANGO AND CASH (15):

Warner West End (01-439 0791) Fulhern Road (01-370 2636) Whiteleys (01-792 3303/3324).

ALWAYS (PG): Spielberg's plush but pointless remake of A Guy Named Joe with Richard Dreyfuss as a dead pilot returning to earth. Cannons: Baker Street (01-935 9772) Fulham Road (01-370 2636) taza (01-497 9999).

4BORN ON THE FOURTH OF JULY (18): Dynamic anti-Vietnam spic from Oliver Stone, with Torn Cruise excellent as paraplecic Ron Kovic. nden Parkway (01-267 7034) Connone: Baker Street (01-935) 9772) Futhern Road (01-370 2636) Empire (01-497 9999) Gate (01-727 4043) Screen on the Green (01-226 3520) Whiteleys (01-792 3303).

CELIA (15): Powerful Australian portrait of a reballious child in a director Ann Turner. Cannon Tottenham Court Roed (01-836 6148) Metro (01-437 0757) Odeon Kensington (01-602

CINEMA PARADISO (PG): Gluseppe Tomatore's nostalgic tale of a small Sicilian cinema; a hugely appealing salute to the movies. Curzon Maytair (01-465 8865).

CONQUEST OF THE SOUTH POLE hope through fantasy. Electric (in rep) (01-792 2020).

DANCIN' THRU THE DARK (15): Willy Russell's thin but boisterous dy-musical set in a Liverpool dance hall. Cannona: Chelses (01-352 5096)

6148) Warner (01-439 0791). ·

Jessica Tandy as the prickly Southern lady with a black chauffeur (Morgan Freeman). Accomplished, endearing, ne (01-235 4225) Screen on the Hill (01-435 3366) Warner (01-439 (791) Whiteleys (01-792

(15): Muddled science-fiction from young Australian film makers, with some decent visual effects Prince Charles (01-437 8181). ♦ THE FABULOUS BAKER BOYS

Geoff Brown's selection of NEW RELEASES

ICA Cinema (01-930 3647).

Renoir (01-837 8402). JUDGMENT IN BERLIN (PG): Deft

hard-core hippies confronting the Eighties. Enc Roberts, Cheech

betrayel, and political activism. Stair Brown, Bridget Fonds. Curzon West End (01-439 4805).

Preposterous thriller with Sylvester Stallone and Kurt Russell as cops

Consona: Haymarket (01-839 1527) Oxford Street (01-636 0310)

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strictive society. Striking debut by

(12): Irraginative Scottish version of Manfred Karge's play about unamployed youths finding new

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(15): Highly diverting fireworks

between a blonde singer (Mithelie Pleffer) and two cocksel pleffer (Jeff and Beau Bridges). pna: Haymarkat (01-836 7867) Kanadagton (01-802 8644/5) Such Cottage (01-722 5905) Screen ca Baker Street (01-935 2772) Windsleys (01-792 3303/3324).

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OFAMILY BUSINESS: Curate's opp compdy-drame about a family of crooks (Seen Connery, Duese Hottman, Matthew Broderick). Cannon Panton Street (01-930) 9631) Odeon Kansington (01-602 6844/5).

e OLDRY (15): Edward Zwick's impassioned salute to the bia Amendans who tought in the Chill War, powertui performiétices. Cannon Shafteebury Avenue (Út-836 98611

A HONEY, I SHRUNK THE KEES (U): Minuscule children ber through their garden to salety. Engaging special-effects romp. Carmons: Panton Street (01-930 0631) Whiteleys (01-792 3303/3324).

THE HOUSE OF BERNARDA ALBA (15): Lorce's play about a widow and her live daugnters; line acting Premiere (01-439 4470).

JESUS OF MONTREAL (14): Passion Play trouble in Montreal.
Obvious but elegant satire from director Denys Arcend. Renoir (01-837 8402) Premiere (01-

439 4470). ♦ RENEGADES (15): Tough cop and bad boy team to rescue a sacred indian spear. Lame thelier, Caninon Oxford Street (01-536 0370).

♦ SEA OF LOVE (18): COP (AI Pagino) and murder suspect (Ellen Barkent fall in love, Atmospheric, raunchy thriller. Cannons: Oxford Street (01-535

0310) Fulham Road (01-370 2636) Plaza (01-497 9999) Whiteleys (01-792 3303/3324). ♦ STEEL MAGNOLIAS (PG):

Female gossip and lears Down South. Overly-sentimental, though some performers please (Julia Roberts, Olympia Dukakis). Odeons: Kensington (01-602 6644/5) Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905) Cennons: Chelses (01-352 5096) Haymarket (01-839 1527) Whiteleys (01-792 3303/3324). ♦ TROP BELLE POUR TOII (18):

marital mores from Bertrand Bler, mden Plaze (01-485 2443) Chelses Cinema (01-351 3742) Lumiers (01-836 0691). ◆ THE WAR OF THE ROSES (15): A perfect marriage self-destructs

Gérard Depardieu toys between his

wife and mistress. Skilful satire on

violently. Exhausting black comedy. with Michael Douglas and Kathleen Barbican (01-638 8891) Camden Perkway (01-267 7034) Notting Hill Coronet (01-727 6705) Odeo Kensington (01-602 6644/5) Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905) Leicester

WEEKEND AT BERNIE'S (12): Rough-and-ready black comedy about yupples trying to hide their boss's demise. Andrew McCerthy. Jonathan Silverman. Odeons: West End (01-930 5252)

Square (01-930 6111).

ce (01 -722 5905). ◆ WHEN HARRY MET SALLY (15): Romantic comedy with a brittle touch. Meg Ryan, Buly Crystal Cannon Piccadilly (01-437 3561) Odeon Kensington (01-502 5544/5) Warner (01-439 0791).

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he that is known by wearing a cleak of tuft-taffeta eigh-GELADA (b) An Ethiopian haboon, Theroputhecus gelada, char-acturized by a heavy mane in accented by a neavy mane in the adult male, and by a tufted tril, from the Arabic qiladak collar or mane: "The aspect of the gelada forcibly suggests a large black poodle dog, with an unusually abundant mane."

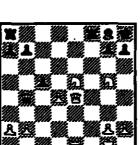
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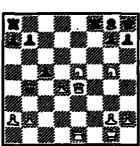
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10.25 Children's BBC Introduced by Simon Parkin begins with Playdays 10.50 Jimbo and the Jet Set (r) 10.55 Five to Eleven. Gary Watson reads from the Gospel of Mark
11.00 News and weather followed by Open Air, with Eamonn Holmes and Jayne Irving
12.00 News and weather followed by Daytime Live. Magazine series presented by Alan Titchmarsh and Judi Spiers. 12.55 Regional news and weather
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5.00 Newsround 5.10 The Gift.
Episode one of a new six-part drama

about a teenager with the gift of mind-reading, living with his grandparents in Wales 5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax)

6.00 Six O'Clock News presented by Andrew Harvey and Anna Ford. Weather

8.30 Regional News Magazines
7.00 Wogan. Terry's guests include
veteran funny man Frankie Howerd.
Plus the dublous delights of the
final two entries for A Song for

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7.35 Family Matters. In complete contrast to Britain's adoption queue, Romania has almost hair a million orphans fiving in appalling conditions. Though British adoption agencies oppose cross-cultural edection, party desperates

cultural adoption, many desperate couples are travelling abroad in search of a child. Theo Sowa follows a couple's visit to two

Bucharest orphanages, revealing the obstacles and bureaucracy they

mischief concerning Texas's first family, this week from a power-hungry Cliff Barnes who seems to have the future of Ewing Oil at his

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mercy. (Ceefax)
8.50 Points of View presented by Anne

9.05 News with Martyn Lewis, Regional news and weather 9.35 Follow Your Nose: Griff Rhys Jones in the UK, Griff Rhys Jones

1989's Red Nose day 9.50 Q.E.D: The Last Resort. A

(Ceetax)

12.20am Weather

visits some of the many projects in Britain which benefited from

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10.20 Sportsnight introduced by Steve
Rider, Footbalk highlights of
tonight's friendly at Wembley
between England and Brazil; Cricket
the best of the action from the last
day's play in the third Test between
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Snooker: news from the final

qualitying round of this year's World Championship followed by live coverage of the draw for the first

surgery that some sufferers undergo after normal treatments for their

Robinson.

9.00 A Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Labour Party

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How the Six make five

TELEVISION CHOICE

Peter Waymark

• It is almost impossible after watching Granada Television's gripping, two-hour Who Bombed Birmingham? (ITV, 8.00pm) to believe that the atrocities of November 1974 were committed by the six Irishman who are serving life sentences for them. That, of course, is the aim of the film, which goes on to name a different set of culprits: a Birmingham Five in place of the Birmingham Six. But Who Bombed Birmingham? is that trickiest of television genres, the drama



Star treatment: John Hurt plays iournalist Mullin (TTV, 8.00pm)

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documentary. Real people are played by actors, events are reconstructed and the various types of evidence (taken from interviews, documents, court hearings and so on) have been worked into a smoothly flowing script. The casting of well-known names (John Hurt, Martin Shaw, Bob Peck) is a mite distracting, although it is a reminder that we are watching a reconstruction and not the real thing. Suffice to say that the performances are admirable, not least that of Leslie Phillips, who might not have been everyone's idea of Lord Chief Justice Lane. At the same time we are asked to believe that what these characters say and do is true. Here we have to take the integrity of the programme makers largely on trust. The film intercuts two narratives: of the events of 1974 and of the investigations carried out 11 years later for Granada's World in Action by the journalist Chris Mullin. Played by a star actor (Hurt), Mullin is the star turn, penetrating with apparent ease those parts of the IRA that the official detectives seem unable to reach. • Having opened in film noir mode. with dark city streets and a treacherous woman, Never Come Back (BBC2. 9.25pm) turns into a Hitchcock-style chase thriller, complete with Thane goes on the run from Foster (James Fox) and his ugly thugs. The pace is terrific and Nathaniel Parker's Thane is developing into a memorable study of cynicism and mendacity.

· Pick of the rest: the friendly afternoon medical series The Treatment (ITV, 2.00pm) is back, looking into a screening test on Down's syndrome for pregnant women and asking why so few hospitals offer it . . . and the science magazine Auteums (BBC2, 8.10pm) raises uncomfortable questions about the cost of nuclear power and the credibility of the Big Bang theory of the universe.

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6.00 TV-am begins with News followed by Good Morning Britain presented by Linda Mitchell and, from 7.00, by Mike Morris and Lorraine Kelly. After Nine includes guests actress Rosemary Smith, who has slimmed by seven stone, and the

6.00 Ceefax
6.30 BBC Breakfast News presented
by Nicholas Witchell and Laurie
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weather, travel information and a
review of the morning
newspapers by Paul Callan 8.55
Regional news and weather
9.00 News and Weather. Followed by
Open Air. Viewers comment on
yesterday's television
programmes
9.20 Kilroy. Robert Kilroy-Silk is in the
chair for another topical studio
discussion sammed by seven soone, and the cooking canon, John Eley, who puts her resolve to the test with a recipe for orange glazed lamb.

3.25 The Pyramid Game. Quiz show hosted by Steve Jones. The celebrity guests are Keith Chegwin and Janice Long 9.55 Thames News and weather.

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10.00 The Time . . . The Place . . . Mike Scott grins and chairs another discussion on a topical subject
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Robertson is in the studio to give
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3.00 Sounds Like Music. Booby Crush
tests three more music fans on their
knowledge of songs from films

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1.50 Turnabout. Word game show hosted by Rob Curting 2.15 Knots: Landing. Tedious spin-off soap from the Dallas saga

3.05 Living with Dying. Practical advice from Martyn Lewis about what has to be organized immediately after a death 3.35 The Pink Panther Show (P)

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12.30am Kojak. The detective's colleague discovers that a former classmate has become involved with a gang of jewel thieves. tarring Telly Savalas

1.30 Stories in the Night. A discussion on the whether or not dragges and

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tashions London's designers are offering for spring and s Among the top names featured are Jasper Conran, John Galliano and Vivienne Westwood

2.30 America's Top Ten introduced by

Casey Kasem
3.00 Friday the 13th: Badge of Honour An ex-policemen enlists the help of the supernatural when he takes revenge on the gangster who murdered his write. Followed by News headlines 4.00 The Channon and Ball Video

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8.10 Antenna (see Choice)

9.00 M*A*S*H. Korean War black comedy starring Alan Alda and Mike Farrell (r)

9.25 Never Come Back. (Ceefax) (see Choice)

10.15 Fifth Column. Enoch Poweil with his own analysis of the country's economic problems

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SCOTTISH As London except 1.20pm Scotland Today 1.30-2.00 Top Club

CHANNEL 4///

6.00 The Channel Four Daily
 9.25 Schools
 12.00 The Parliament Programme
 12.30 Business Daily
 1.00 Seasme Street
 2.00 Powerbase. Part two of a series on the mysteries of electricity (r). (Oracle)
 2.30 The Measure of Success: To Serve or to Save? The first of two organizes looking at whether

Serve or to Save? The first of two programmes looking at whether the Church's role should be strictly spiritual or one that makes it an active member of society

3.30 Yorkshire Ditty. Vintage British animation of "On likely Moor"

3.40 The Oprah Winfrey Show. Oprah and her audience listen to women who have become slaves to food

4.30 Countdown

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5.00 Boomi Weekly magazine for children with special needs

5.30 Country Ways. A film portrait of Watership Down in Hampshire (r). (Cracle)

6.00 The Victorian House. The last in the series exploring the history of the Victorian house (r). (Cracle)

6.30 Get Smart. Spoof spy series starring Don Adems

7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and Zelnab Badawi

7.50 Party Political Comment by a Conservative politician. Followed by Weather

8.00 Brookside. Drama serial set on Merseyside. (Oracle)

8.30 Dispatches alleges decait, secrecy and hypocrisy by one of the world's leading charities

9.15 Signate: Let the People Choose. Members of the public take the opportunity to comment on the Paternoster Swiere development at

opportunity to comment on the Paternoster Square development at St Paul's in London

10.00 Women Cell the Shots:
Springfield. A cartoon about a mythical heroine who is half women and feloper.

woman, half Hoover 10.10 Film: Dust (1986). Fine performance by the under-used Jane Birkin as a lonely spinster living with her gruff father (Trevor Howard) on a South African farmstead. An intense and sombre drama, skilfully

directed by former actress Marion Hansel 11.50 Clem. Andy de la Tour stars in his own comedy about an unambitious stand-up comic being urged to

expand his career (r) expand his career in expand to K. American documentary charting the British invasion of rock music in the US during the late 1960s and early 1970s (r). Ends at 2.10

2.30-4.00 Scottish Question-Time 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.90 Scottish Today 6.30-7.30 Action on Racism 6.45 This is Your Life 7.15 Correlation Street 7.46-16.00 Football Scotland / Argentins 10.40 Who Bombed Birmingham? 12.35am Night Heat 1.30 Donehue 2.30 00 Minutes 3.25 Night Beat 4.25-5.00 Vietnam: The Ten Thousand Day War TSW As London except 1.20pm News 1.30-2.00 It's A Vet's Life 2.30-3.00 Sente Barbara 3.27-4.00 Home and Away 5.10-6.40 Take the High Road 6.00 Today 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 12.35am Night Heat 1.30 Donehue 2.30 60 Minutes 2.25 Night Beet 4.30-5.00 Vietnam: The Ten Thousand Day War TVS As London except 1.20pm News 1.30-2.00 Coast to Coast Poole 5.10-8.40 Home and Away 6.00 Coast to Coast 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 12.35ams Viewers' Choice 2.30 Chart Attack 3.30 Night Heat 4.30-5.00 William Tell TYNE TEES As London except 1.20pm News 1.30-2.00 It's A Vet's Life 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Northern Life 6.30-7.00 Up Country 12.00 Twikight Zone 12.35am Night Heat 1.30 Donahue 3.25 Night Beat 4.25-5.00 Vietnam: The Ten Thousand Day War ULSTER As London except 1.20pm News 1.30-2.00 Triousand Day War

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12.20em News, Close.

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5.00am International Business Report
5.30 European Business Channel 6.00 The
DJ Kat Show 8.30 Panel Pot Pourri
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Cherle Carter Scott, author of a book about
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SKY NEWS

News on the hour
5.00am International Business Report
5.30 European Business Channel 6.00
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12.30pm International Business Report
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SKY MOVIES

From 8.00em The Shopping Channel

All films will be scrambled
2.00pm Table for Five (1983): A
divorced father tries to rebuild relations with

divorced father tries to recommendate this children
4.00 The Adventures of the Wilderness
Family (1975): A Los Angeles family finds life in the Rockies is anything but a holiday
6.00 A Stoning in Futhern Country
(1968): Drama set in the Amish community
7.40 Entertainment Tonight
8.00 High Anxiety (1977): Hitchcock spoof directed by Mel Brooks
9.40 At the Pictures

9.40 At the Pictures 10.00 Platoon (1986): Charlie Sheen stars as a raw recruit in Vietnam 12.00 976 Evil (1988): A teenager finds

the road to Heli 1455; A technique whose the road to Heli 145 The Devils (1970); Oliver Reed in Ken Russell's story of French witchraft 4,00 Helio Again (1987); Comedy with Shelley Long as the woman who comes back from the grave

EUROSPORT

5.00am International Business Report
5.30 European Business Report 6.00 The
DJ Kat Show 8.30 Eurosport Menu 9.00
International Motor Sport 10.00 College
Basketball 11.30 Goals 12.00 Wheels
1.00pm Formula 1 Motor Racing 2.60
Wheels 3.00 Showjumping 4.00
Basketball 6.00 Showjumping 7.00 Trans
World Sport 8.00 Basketball 10.00
World Championship Boxing 12.00 ThreeCushion Billiards

MTV

6.00am Kristiane Backer 10.30 MTV at 6.0bam Kristiane Backer 10.39 MTV at the Viovies 11.00 Remote Control 11.30 Clul MTV 12.00 Kristiane Backer 1.0bpm Paul King 3.00 Non-stop Pure Pop 4.00 3 From 1 4.15 Paul King 4.30 Cocl Cola Report 4.45 Paul King 6.00 MTV; Greatest Hits 6.30 MTV at the Moves 7.00 Saturday Night Live 7.30 Club MTV8.00 The Tears for Fears Interview 8.34 US Top 20 10.00 Coca Cola Report 10.15 Maiken Wexo 1.00am Night Videis

SCREENSPORT

7.00m American Basketbell 8.30 Rugty League 10.00 Ice Hockey 12.00 College Basketball 1.30pm Wide World of Sprt 3.00 Pro Bowlers 4.15 nteriational Football 6.00 US Professional Boxing 7-30 Update 7-30 US PGASolf 9-30 Pro Box Live 11-30 SporEn France 12-00 Powersports

10.0 pm Jake's Fitness Minute 10.01 Searh for Tomorrow 10.30 Short Casts 10.3 Wok with Yan 11.00 Lifestyle Coffe Break 11.00 Edge of Night 11.35 The treat American Gameshows

12.5pm What's New 12.55 Sally Jessy
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Plus 4.45 The Great American Gameshows

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RADIO 2

Fit States and MW News on the hour Headlines 5.30mm, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30

4.00ath Alex Laster 5.30 Chris Stuart 7.30 Derek James 9.30 Kan Bruce 11.00 Jimmy Han Bruce 11.00 Jimmy Young 1.05pen David Jacobs 2.00 Gloria Hunniord 3.30 Adman Love 5.05 Bob Holmess 7.00 Folk on 2 8.30 Jen MacLeod's Scottish Dance Party 9.05 Listen to the Bend 10.00 Digance Does It ... Sportingly 10.30 Thanks for the Memory 11.00 Round Michaght 1.00mm Nichtride 3.00-Midraght 1,00mm hightnde 3.00-4.00 Å Little Night Music 100 Å Little Night Music 100 a showe except: 6.45-7.00pm Sport 7.50-9.50 International Football

WORLD SERVICE

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6.55am Weather and News Headlines 7.00 Morning Concert Raval

(Alborada del gracioso: Montreal SO under Charles Dutoit): Canteloube (Lo floiarre: Lamoureux Concert Orchestra under Jaquillat, with Victoria de los Angeles, soprano); Tcharkovsky (Capricco italien: Dallas SO

under Mata)
7.30 News
7.35 Norming Concert (contd.):
Falls (The Three-Cornered
Hat, Suite No 1: Los
Angeles PO under Jesús
López-Cobos); Vaughan
Williams (Six studies in
Engirsh Folk Song: Janet
Halton, ctarinet, and Keith
Swallow, piano); Schumann
(Spring Symphony: Dresden
State Orchestra under
Sawallisch)

8.30 News
8.35 Composers of the Week:
Scandinavian Season.
Berwald (Symphonie singulière, 1845:
Gothenburg SO under Jarvi): Crussell (Divertimento in C. Op 9:
Allegn Quartet, Sarah Francis, oboe): Berwald (String Quartet in E flat, 1848: Fryden Quertet)
9.38 Towards Bach: Dieupart (Surtes, No 3 in B minor; No 5 in F: Annake Boeke, recorders; John Toll, harpsichord **8.30** News

5 in F: Annake Booke, recorders: John Toll, harpsichord
10.15 Jean-Ives Thibaudet: the planist plays Debussy's Suite bergamasque, Three Preludes (Book 1); and Lisz's Jeux d'eau, Concert peraphrase on Rigoletto (r)
11.00 Alidweek Choice:
Scandinavian Season with Susan Sharpe, Includes trad (Der Er Et Yndigt Land: Berlin PO under Karajan); Kuhau (Finale from Flute Cuimet, Op 51 No 3: Jean Pierre Rampal, Juliliard String Cuartet); Halvorsen (Nordraakana: Ulster Orchestra under Per Dreier); Roman (Swedish Mass. excerpts: Adolf Fredriks Bach Choir; Drottinagholm Baroque Ensemble under Chrwall; Palmgran (Plano Concerto No 2. Op 33. River: Izumi Tatano, Heisinid PO under Panula); Pettersson (Barefoot Songs: Stockholm PO under Dorani Pettersson (Bareloot Songs: Stockholm PO under Dorati. with Erik Saeden, baritone); Alfven (Dalarapsodi; Stockholm PO under Jarvi); Petersen-Berger (Romance: Swedish RSO under Stig Westerberg: Four Tractional Folk Songs: Oslo Academic Choral Society under Hegstad); trad (Ja Vi Ejsker Detta Lander)

RADIO 3 1.00pm News 1.05 Concert Hall: Tragicomedia

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Dowland (Lachrymas pavan;
Can She Excuse; Go from
my Window; Frog Gatilard);
Peter Phillips (Phillips
Pavan); anon (Nutmegs and
Ginger; Greensleeves;
Dafne); Richard Allison
(Batchelars Delight); Schop
(Lachrymae); anon
(Woodycock; Grintstock;
Dafne; Joyne Hands)
2.00 Record Review; with
Richard Osborne, Includes
Building a Library;
Schubert's String Cuartet in
G (D887) with John
Warrack. (r)

Warrack. (r)
3.00-10.30pm (MW only) Test
Match Special. Third Test.
West Indies v England. The

West Indies v England. The final day
3.10 Vintage Years: Scandinavian Season. Erting Bloch and Friends. Holmboe (Serenate. Op 18: Danish Quartet, String Quartet No 1, Op 46: Erting Bloch Quartet); Riisager (Serenade for flute, violin and cello: members of the Danish Quartet)
4.00 Choral Evensong: for the Annunciation. Live from Salisbury Cathedral
5.00 Cowhorns and Clog-Fiddles:

Salisbury Cathedral
5.00 Cowhorns and Clog-Fiddles:
Scandinavian Season. Paul
Nnon with traditional music
from Sweden
5.30 Mainly for Pleasure: an
evening at Monsieur
Julien's Bal Masqué with
Rodney Statford
2.00 News

7.00 News 7.05 Third Ear; chaired by Robert 7.30 Dissonance and the Trout

7.30 Dissonance and the TroutMozant (Curarter in C,
Dissonance, K465);
Schubert (Menuets and
Trios, D 89; Curnet in A,
Trout, D 657). Performed by
the Hagen String Cuartet,
with Alois Posch, doublebass, and Paul Guida, plano
9.00 Salang Without an Anchor:
That Inherent Weakness.
Last of five documentaries
about America's National
Security Council, With
Michael Charteon
9.45 Utster Orchestra: led by
Richard Howarth. Richard Howards. Conductor Per Dreier. Scandinavian Season.
Haug's Simonietta and
Groven's Symphony No 2
10.40 Recollections of an
Excursion: by William
Beckford, Part 3: Return to

the Palace of Queluz. Reader John Rows Heager John Rowe
11.00 Composers of the Week:
Scandinavian Season.
Stantinamitar's Symphony
No 1; Jungfru Blond och
Jungfru Brunett (r)
12.00 News 12.05am Close

RADIO 4

LW (s) stereo on FM
5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00
News Briefing; Weather
6.10 Farming Today
6.25 Prayer for the Day
6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.00,
7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News
6.55, 7.55 Weather
8.35 Yesterday in Parliament
8.57 Weather
9.00 News
9.05 Midweelc with Libby Purves
and quests including Sir

9.05 Midweek with Loby Purves
and guests including Str
David Steel (s)
10.00 News; Gardeners' Question
Time from Surrey
10.30 Morning Story: Pineapple
Cake by Anita Desai
10.45 Daily Service
11.00 News; The Churchill Years.
Six plays by David Wheeler

Six plays by David Wheeler documenting Winston Churchill's career, with Daniel Massey. 4: Class Wars
11.47 The Great Bug Hunt (new series) (see Choice)
12.00 News; You and Yours: John Watte talks to Home Office minister John Patten about the funding of ethnic

community support
community support
12.25pm The Year in Question:
Simon Bates chairs the
newspaper quiz with this
week's contestents, The
Green Magazine and The
Economist (s)
12.55 Weather

Economist (s)

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1.90 The World at One

1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55
Shipping Forecast

2.00 News; Woman's Hour:
Includes the first of a three-part feature on the future of further education, with interviews with Sir Edward Parkes, chairman of the Committee of Vice Chancellors and Principals, and John MacGregor, Secretary of State for Education and Science; plus a report on the "Queen of the British blues", singer Beryl Bryden

2.00 News; No More a Roving: play by Peter Ling. Berth and ber brother are haunted by the ghost of Byron while on holiday in Venics. Writh Rosemary Leach as Beth and Edward de Souza as Ronnie (s)

Ronnie (s)
3.47 Time for Verse: Alexis
Lykiard interviews poet Roy
Fisher
4.00 Norm

4.00 News
4.05 File on 4: Robin Lustig
reports on the commercial
tyture of Britain's coal

A5 Kaleidoscope Extra: Christopher Cook's report on British fiterary magazines including Adam, published by Miron Grindea for 50 by Mich Carnes for 50 years; Granta, taken into the international limelight by Bill Burford; and Auberon Waugh's Literary Review, which offers prizes for predest in property (c)

readers' poetry (s)
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast
5.55 Weather 5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial

Raport
6.30 tound Britain Quiz (s) (r)
7.00 flaws
7.05 hips Archers
7.20 In Business: with Carol Lignard (r)
7.45 Midicine Now: with Geoff

Witts (r)
8.15 Agt to Age: with Barry
Culiffe. Including a look at
how food was prepared
during the shortages of the

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8.45 Against the State: Brian Redfield explores political disobelience across the centulies, looking this week at Thimas More's 1516 blueplint for a perfect societ Utopia

9.15 Kaleidescope: Includes a review of Czech author Ivan Kima'snew novel, Love and Galbage; awardwinninglournelist Simon Broughtin with his latest report of the arts in Romantal, and a review of

report of the arts in Romania and a review of two London exhibitions of landscapi painters, Caspar David Friedrich at the National Gallery and Christophy Cook at the Benjamin thodes Gallery (s) 9.45 The Finandal World Tonight 9.59 Weather

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10.00 The World Tonight: with
Alexander NacLeod (s)

10.48 A Book at Eadtime: A
Border Station, written and
read by Sharip
Connaughton (3 of 6) (s)

11.00 Catcher of Stadows: profile
of Victorian photographer
Frank Meadow Suncitife (s)
(r) (see Choice)

11.30 Today in Parament
12.00-12.30mm News incl 12.20
Weather 12.31 Shipping
Forecast

Forecast
FM as LW except: 11/00am12.00 For Schools 1.55pm
Listening Corner (s) 2.45-3.00 For
Schools 5.50-5.55 PM (continued)
11.30-12.10am Open University:
11.30 Mathematics Miscelleny
11.50 Culture and Belief in Europe
12.30-1.10 Night School (r) Forecast

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(RADIO CHOICE)

Peter Davalle

 Invaluable advice for you if you plan to join an insectspotting expedition to the Indonesian island c Sulawesi, as Martin Wainwri at does in The Great Bug Hura (Radio 4, 11.47am): never bivouac under a coconut palm, because a blow from a coconut



can kill. And never stare at the local women. That, too, can prove lethal. Undoubtedly a paradise for entomologists, Sulawesi is less of a Garden of Eden for the tourist. Its wild life includes a black monkey that throws sticks at people and urinates on them from a great height. Wainwright spends much of part one of The Great Bug Hunt getting kitted out in London. Selfdraining jungle boots are de rigueur for Sulawesi. So is clothing that is one size too big - an inconvenience that, as the programme reveals, can be laid at the door of the aforementioned local women. Also recommended is

Catcher of Shadows (Radio 4, 11.00pm), Kate Fenton's affectionate portrait of Frank Meadow Sutcliffe, whose Victorian-era photographs of Whitby are marvellous examples of how, in the hands of a master, the camera can fix, for all time, a particular time and a particular place.



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By Michael Hornsby Agriculture Correspon

A SOMERSET estate, familiar to television viewers as the setting for the BBC's To The Manor Born comedy series, lost a legal challenge to the monopoly powers of the Milk Marketing Board in the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg yesterday.

The court upheld the right of the board to impose levies on dairy farmers who bottle and pasteurize their milk and sell it direct to their customers. Most of the 32,000 dairy farmers in England and Wales are obliged to sell their milk to the board at a price which it determines.

Cricket St Thomas Estate near Chard, had challenged this system by refusing to pay the levies over several years, running up unpaid dues of some £250,000. The board took the estate to court, the case going first to the High Court in London, which then referred the matter to

The board imposes a levy of about 4p a litre on some 2,000 "producer retailers" in order to cancel out the advantage they would otherwise get from being able to sell their milk direct at a higher price than they would have been paid by the board.

"We have 600 dairy cows and produce about 8,000 gallons of milk a day which we have been bottling and pasteurizing ourselves for the past nine years," Mr Stephen Taylor, who runs the estate in partnership with his brother, John, said yesterday.

"We deliver half the milk to fiouseholds and half to shops in the region.

"If our market is Europe, then our rules must be European. British dairy farmers can no longer be a special case with monopoly protection by "No other farmer in Europe

pays a tax on milk he pro-duces, manufactures and mar-kets himself," he said.

The only qualification in the Luxembourg court's judgement was that the levies exacted by the board must satisfy European Community rules on "proportionality", and it left the exact amount of the levy to be determined by the High Court in Britain.

The brothers claimed this was "a major defeat" for the board. "There is no way the High Court will rule that a levy charge of over 4p a litre on a product that the board pay 18p for at the farm gate is a proportional charge for their

However, the Luxembourg judgement clearly upholds the right of the board to impose the levies so as "to ensure equal treatment for all producers subject to the milk marketing scheme".

Running Rugby into World Cup



AGAINST the famous backdrop of Rugby School, a group of 20th century enth above, re-enact yesterday the birth of the modern game of rugby when, in 1823, William Webb Ellis picked up a football from a melée and ran with it. The occasion was captured in 1888, right, by the painter Thomas Hemy.

Six leading international players — Gavin Hastings (Scotland), Philippe Sella (France), Dean Richards (England), Willie Anderson (Ire-land), Robert Jones and Robert Norster (Wales) were at the school to launch a charity event to underline the "youth is rugby" theme of the second World Cup (David Hanls writes). A specially designed ball will be carried, over 13 weeks, from Rugby School to Biarritz, then, by relays of running teenagers. through the host countries France, Ireland, Scotland. Wals and England.

It will reach Twickenham for he opening ceremony on Surday, September 29, next



Political sketch

Visual feast on the Front Bench

THE Government Front Bench at Prime Minister's Questions was a visual feast. The PM wore a white shirt

and black suit with a huge white "Quaker" collar. She looked like the picture on a packet of oats. Beside her sat an Education Minister, Angela Rumbold, wearing a cream blouse, red skirt and navy-blue blazer with a silver emblem. She resembled a senior Hoverspeed air

Next to them sat two plump gentlemen with oiled grey hair, steel-grey glasses and round faces. Both wore blue ties with polka-dots. One (Mr Tweedle Dum MP?) was Minister for Higher Education, Robert Jackson. The Rt Hon Tweedle Dec was Kenneth Baker. Both smiled and nodded, terrestrial synchronized swimmers, while Lord Whitelaw beamed down from the Peers' Gallery like those fearsome dolls heathens use as good-luck

Mrs Thatcher listed her engagements for the day, culminating in "an audience with Her Majesty the Queen".
"Ooh!" howled the

groundlings. Hugh Dykes (C, Harrow E) wanted us to join the ERM. His Question was so short -"Is Britain's temporarily higher rate of inflation the last remaining obstacle?" that Mrs Thatcher needed a gulp while she thought up another - "free flow of

Neil Kinnock proved eas-ier and was dispatched with three swipes of the Thatcher

.. No serious interest in joining the ERM as long as she survives," he proposed. She disposed. "... I was not able to join the mechanism during my first decade, but I hope to during my

The Labour leader tried again, with some drollery about Mr Lawson. "Last night," he told her, "you were savaged by a live scapegoat."
This did not work because

anything less like a goat than Mr Lawson would be hard to imagine. The Bible does not mention scape-bulls, scapebears or scape-buffaloes. Now she swung at both Kinnock and Lawson, killing

ex-Chancellor "would be the first to agree on the need to get inflation down".

Mr Kinnock med quoting Lawson himself on her "too leisurely" pace, It does not seem to have dawned on the Opposition leader that people do not mind being distanced from scapegoats. She told him she'd do it her way.

This was casy: but all good things come to an end. and Mrs Thatcher was obliged to take a Question from her own side: John Gorst (Hendon N). Your sketchwriter, I fear, has written only "Piah, blah, great tasks ahead" (lovally) blah, etc"in his notebook. Mr Gorst overdid it Jeering

A hostile question — from the Liberals' Mrs Ray Michie (Argyll and Bute), about the fishing industry - helped the PM recover. She knew all about fishing, and revealed details of recent catches. Dale Campbell-Savours

(Lab. Workington) cast his net on the other side but got tangled in the mesh. He meant (I think) to suggest that Michael Heseltine has been forced to swear an oath of loyalty, but found himself suggesting that the man had been "driven into a loyalty oaf. Did he mean that Heseltine's car had been in collision with Mr Gorst's? Or had he said (as some of my colleagues think) "oulty loaf"? This was the Campbell-Savours who brought you "Mohammed Ali" as owner of Harrods. Mrs T did not get the whole of his question, but - on the basis, perhaps, that haif an oal is better than no bread - she did her best. The Chief Whip, she said, would deal with Heseltine.

It was a good afternoon for the Tories. Cecil Parkinson dragged out a transport statement (part of a shameless attempt to keep the victor of Mid Staffordshire off the afternoon's live television) telling us that while John Prescott (Labour's spokesman) "sits playing with his merchant ships in his bath, we get on with the business of modernizing transport".

Prescott, enraged, muttered something about what Mr Parkinson plays with in

Matthew Parris

MoD transfers jobs out of capital

THOUSANDS of jobs in the Ministry of leased buildings and increasing problems the procurement of equipment, largely sinde dispersal plan by the MoD in recent years is part of a major rationalizaion for its procurement executive, but every effort" will be made to ensure thee are no redundancies.

As it faces soaring costs in privately

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,253

Neubert, junior defence procurement minister, said in a Commons written reply that the move fixed for 1993, would involve 3,800 London-based posts.

Most posts are in the land and air systems controllerates, responsible for

Defence are to be transferred out of capital, the Government is promoting posts are the staff of the Arm and the RAF. The other Loidon in a £100 million move to capital, the Government is promoting posts are the staff of the ordinance board devolution from London. Mr Michael tracts. Some 2,700 jobs will be going to Bristol, while up to 1,300 largely clerical staff will be recruited locally.

> The sea systems controllerate, in Bath, Portsmouth and Weymouth, will be brought together in Bath.

Hong Kong scheme ready

two bulls with one stone. Her

Continued from page 1 tions, their links with the and doctors, United Kingdom, their ability to write and speak English

culty of replacing their skills. The highest points will go to

those aged 30 to 40 and those most likely to emigrate, a second reading, which will summer," one minister said.

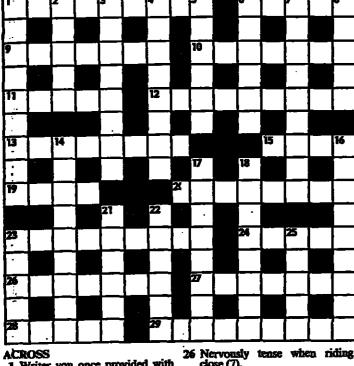
their age, and the likely diffi-

including computer workers

The Government is braced

probably be taken soon after

Labour is to oppose the Bill over the Bill. As many as 80 take all its stages in the Conservative MPs have ex- Commons. With Tory rebeis pressed strong reservations supporting such a motion, it about it, but the Government may well be passed. "We shown by statistics to be the remains confident of securing could be facing a long hot



Writer you once provided with

- quarters here (9). 6 Woman not at home in Gary's
- 9 Where the Head's found poetry by a former pupil? (7).
- 10 Past record of a man of the right
- Proceed prudently at first when holding a student dance (5). 12 Fertilizer a Weishman colle
- wearing these overalls (9). 13 Dissipated girl in confineme
- 15 Spoils exhibited by the god of war (4). 19 Sister, do we hear, with whom
- Landor strove? (4). 20 Protector Grace embraced at
- church party (5-3).
- 23 For example, worker involved in row in the plant (9).
- 24 This meeting is enough to ink a
- Solution to Puzzle No 18,252 PPRAISE PASSIM HOUSEMAN N O C

- close (7).
- 28 Creature that stole gold from Hesiod's first woman (5). 29 One bringing action to game in Rialto, perhaps (9).

27 Reproduce one in china

actly what's needed (7).

- 1 Fail in exam, being a field worker (9). -2 Songwriter with look-out that's unusual (5). 3 Sailors in house whistle and
- dance (8). aim in loading 4 Continual camouflaged gun (8).
- 5 Some of this gives more than enough fuel (6). 6 When upset, thrash a boy, causing gloom (6).
- 7 A warning given verbally and referred to previously (9). Animal seen outside near a deep
- chasm (5). Only child to turn informer and reveal a secret? (9). 16 A tourist appears in these rigs at 17 Line up, in truth, for cosmetic
- treatment (4-4). 18 Carol admits another girl is barshly critical (8).
- Puzzle that has several variations (6). Weapon of the sanctimonious upset a great many (6).
- Provide a state of balance the French department lost (5). 25 Article written in the old way makes us froth and foam (5).

WORD-WATCHING A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct? By Philip Howard DELANTADO c. A type of hem-stitch GELADA a. Italian wa b. An Ethiopian baboon c. An ice house SALTERN a. A salt works

h. A diagonal cross c. The sea tern WANZE Answers on page 22

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Concise Crossword, page 22

Scotland and Northern Ire-WEATHER land will be mostly dry. A band of showers over eastern England and south Wales will move slowly south-eastwards into south-east England later this afternoon. The showers will tend to become more scattered as the day goes on with bright or sunny spells likely. The rest of Britain should be dry with bright or sunny spells. Temperatures about normal. Outlook: Dry with sunny spells.

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MANCHESTER Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 9C (48F) min 6 pm to 6 am, -1C (30F). Rain: 24th to 6 pm, nil. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 6 hr. N W Scotland **GLASGOW**

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WEDNESDAY MARCH 28 1990

Executive Editor David Brewerton

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Exchange index 87.3 (+0.5)

(STOCK MARKET)

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FT-SE 100 2266.2 (-32.0)

USM (Datastream) 141.72 (-0.58)

Market report, page 29

Prudential ahead 9%

Prudential Corporation, Britain's largest insurer, has re-vised downwards its estimates of Aids claims. This helped raise pro-tax profits 9 per cent to £386 million, despite a £49 million loss from estate agency in 1989.

Hambro Countrywide, the estate agents group, mean-while, has made a £9.53 million loss and is passing its dividend.

P & 0, the shipping, construction and services group, was up 19 per ceut to £376.7 million. Final dividend is 17p, making a total of 29.5p for the year.

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Bunzl down

Bunzl, the distribution and specialist manufacturing group, was down at £65.4 million (£93.3 million) for the year to end-December. The final dividend is held at 3.3p, making 5.9p (5.7p).

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TOURIST RATES

engined Ford Sierras and Sapphires, is not only a close fit for the Vickers stable and a prolific profits earner but could also make it more difficult for Sir Ron Brierley, the New Zealand entrepreneur with 18.2 per cent of Vickers, to succeed with his plan to demerge Rolls-Royce Motors. Sir Ron's IEP Securities will put the proposal for a separately quoted

annual meeting of Vickers, but if it is accepted the Cosworth purchase will not go ahead. However, key institutions have indicated they support the Vickers television services group, has sold off its view that Rolls-Royce Motors should

> Vickers, with £140 million in cash in the bank, is putting £80.5 million in cash up front plus non-interest-bearing loan notes of £65 million and £18 million due for payment at the beginning of next year and 1992 respectively. Cosworth comes with cash balances of £20 million.

Because of the instalment payments, Vickers' earnings per share were being marked up marginally by Mr Bob Barber, engineering analyst at James Capel. "In my opinion the current rating of the Vickers shares does not reflect the sort of quality businesses it is now in."

The City had been expecting a price of £200 million or more given the Cosworth record, which included a compound annual profits growth of about 47 per cent over the last two years. This acceleration reflected especially an upsurge in work for Ford as first the Sierra and then the Sapphire road cars were sold as Ford Cosworths.

Vickers believes there are good prospects for strong profits growth at Cosworth, Sir David Plastow, Vickers chairman and chief executive, said. His team has an initial aim of doubling sales

within three to four years. Mr Michael Dunn, engineering director for Rolls-Royce Motors, will become

part-time Cosworth chairman.

City Diary, page 27

Join EMS or miss prices target, says LBS

By Rodney Lord **Economics Editor**

THE Government will miss its inflation forecast unless it becomes a full member of the European Monetary System soon, the London Business School believes. Professor David Currie, the director of the LBS Centre for

Economic Forecasting, said at a post-Budget conference organized by the Institute for Fiscal Studies, that forecasts by the centre since the Budget suggested that retail price inflation would not fall below 5 per cent in the course of next year on present policies - as Mr John Major, the Chancellor, predicted in his Budget speech.

"The implicit agenda of the

Budget is early entry to the EMS," he said.

The Treasury forecast makes the conventional assumption that sterling remains unchanged at about the present level. But the LBS forecasters, who have usually been closest to the Treasury's thinking, expect sterling to fall unless mon-etary policy is stiffened by British entry to the exchange rate mechanism at about the present level. They expect the effective exchange rate index to reach about 85 by the final quarter of this year from its present 87.3, and 82 a year later.

As a result, inflation in the final quarter of this year will still be above 8 per cent rather than the 74 per cent forecast by the Treasury. By the end of new years the end of next year it could be per cent, rather than below 5 per cent, as the Treasury expects.

Professor Currie said he thought the Chancellor's fiscal stance was broadly correct. A slightly bigger tax increase would have done little to curb inflation, while the much tighter policy, which some analysts in the City wanted, would have risked recession. It was possible that the new tax reliefs on saving would have a bigger impact on the personal saving rate than the Treasury was anticipating, which vould be more desirable than a bigger Budget surplus.

The "acid test" of the Budget

further depreciation could not be tolerated. "It is an illusion to suppose that we shall have greater independence if we stand back from European monetary inte-gration," said Professor Currie.

Both he and Mr Giles Keating of Credit Suisse First Boston fa-voured entering the exchange rate mechanism at a higher exchange rate than the present one. This would tend to mean keeping interest rates higher than otherwise while the credibility of the Government's policy developed.

A different approach was advocated by Mr Andrew Britton of stitute for Fiscal Studies said that

would be the exchange rate. After the National Institute of Economic analysis on its tax and benefit the 12 per cent fall of the past year, and Social Research. While he model showed the Budget tax believed that fiscal policy should have been slightly tighter, he favoured exchange rate mechanism entry at a lower rate than today's.

> In foreign exchange markets, sterling continued the recovery begun at the beginning of the week closing up 0.5 at 87.3. This is 1.4 above the pre-Budget level. Against the dollar, sterling was up nearly a cent at \$1.6230 and, against the mark, up 1.25 pfennigs at DM2,7792. Share prices fell with the FT-SE 100 index closing down 32.0 at 2,266.2.

Mr Andrew Dilnot of the In-

model showed the Budget tax changes to be relatively "progressive with the poor suffering less than the rich. This reflected the non-indexation of the higher rate threshold for income tax, the increase in excise duties and the increased taxation of company

While applauding the increased reliefs for saving, he criticized the relief for workplace nurseries which he said was questionable in economic theory, narrowly-drawn and would be difficult to ring-

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MMC inquiry into BA link with Sabena

By Harvey Elliott and Peter Guilford

bitions to create a pan-European commuter airline for business people, based in Brussels, were referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission yesterday.

The Office of Fair Trading has decided that BA's 20 per cent, £34 million shareholding in Sabena World Airways, with plans by KLM, the Dutch airline to take a similar holding could be anti-competitive and against the best interests of British passengers.

Yesterday, Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Trade and Industry Secretary, ordered the resulting inquiry to be completed by the end of June.

The investigation was immediately welcomed by British Midland, BA's main competitor from Heathrow, whose chairman, Mr Michael announced at the end of last country.

But Lord King, the BA chairman, said: "We are disappointed that the proposed British Airways participation in Sabena World Airways has been referred to the MMC.

"The new Sabena airline, of which BA proposes to have a minority stake, is to establish a new hub-and-spoke airline out of Brussels, massively

By Gillian Bowditch

than-expected 1989 results.

rating its rival Bejam, taken

Mr Malcolm Walker, Ice-

land's chairman, said yes-

terday that Bejam was back on

Iceland made pre-tax profits of £35.4 million in 1989, after £9 million in 1988 when it did

not own Bejam. Bejam on its

own made pre-tax profits of £24 million for the year to July

Earnings per share rose 17

per cent to 24.9p. The divi-

Carlton Communications, the video and

Cosworth motor engines subsidiary for

£163.5 million, less than the City

expected, to Vickers, the tanks-to-Rolls-

Cosworth, long associated with motor-

racing successes and more recently in

building power units for the Cosworth-

Rolls-Royce Motors to next month's

dend for the year is up 18 per

Gearing is 86 per cent.

over for £234 million.

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1988.

cent at 6.2p.

Royce cars group.

BRITISH Airways' am- increasing customer choice been challenged by the OFT. and producing long-term benefits for the consumer. We could order BA to take back its have every confidence that the stake in the new airline, but it MMC will conclude this re- is more likely to be told it can port in our favour."

> ment with both KLM and side Britain. BA could, for Sabena under which Lord example, be ordered to give up King and Sir Colin Marshall, one airline's rights to fly the chief executive, are given seats on the board of the new airline. It has also seconded staff to work on a marketing plan, which it hopes will see the development of the network within the next few

extremely gratified by this decision and we will be putting forward our objections to the MMC. If the merger were allowed to go ahead it would mean that three airlines from adjacent countries would have a financial interest in Bishop, has been lobbying each other and each dominate against the deal since it was the market in their own

> On the Heathrow-to-Bruswhich we cannot use because already hold slots which we cannot get to offer the same kind of service."

Both BA and the new airline flights to Brussels from British airports and claim they are in direct competition with each expanding existing services, other - a claim which has now

Technically, the Government only go ahead if it agrees to BA has signed the agree- controls on its activities outbetween Heathrow and Brussels, so allowing newcomers to compete.

BA faces a bitter fight on two fronts to convince both the MMC and the European Commission, which is running its own investigation into Meanwhile, Mr Bishop of the merger, that it should be British Midland said: "I am allowed to go ahead.

The OFT submission will weigh heavily against BA, however. It has concluded that as BA and Sabena carry more than 70 per cent of the 1.25 million passengers a year who fly between British airports and Brussels, there are clear grounds for concern that they would be in a position to swamp any rivals.

The EC, on the other hand, sels route we have licences could be swayed by arguments from BA, KLM and Sabena British Airways and Sabena that they are providing new services within Europe itself. Its report is likely to follow the MMC report, and officials in London and Brussels will be continue to operate regular keeping in touch to ensure the two do not contradict each

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Handing over the keys: Sir John (right) and his successor William Hayden

Egan quits Jaguar driving seat By Kevin Eason Motoring Correspondent

SIR John Egan, who guided Jaguar from bankruptcy to privatization and finally into an agreed £1.6 billion takeover by Ford, is resigning his executive chairmanship of the company. He said he could not work under new masters.

He will be succeeded immediately by Mr William Hayden, the only Briton on the Ford board, who has also run several key parts of its European empire. Mr Hayden has already started the task of revamping

the Coventry company, with ambitious plans to quadruple production from 50,000 to 200,000 cars a year by adding two new models to the product range in 10 to 15 years. They will include the new F-

type sports car, already planned by Sir John, to add to the current XJ6 saloons and the XJ-S grand tourers, and a medium-sized car to rival BMW. New investment is liable to be at least £1 billion. Despite the ambitious plans, the takeover by Ford meant there was no place for Sir John. He would have been forced to report to a corporate board of directors, something he was loath to do just six years after cutting free from BL in one of the most success-

ful of the Government's privatization issues. The pain of leaving will be eased by cashing in his per-sonal shareholding worth an estimated £2.4 million, and generous severance terms.

Sir John said he realized Jaguar needed a "big brother" if it was to compete in tougher market conditions and in a luxury sector which the Japanese are now keenly exploiting in the US.

He said: "We tried our independence route as far as flesh and blood could take it, but for the last 18 months we knew we were going to need help to develop and grow."

Results at **Restructure costs Iceland** Shearson \$700m

warm City From John Durie, New York

ICELAND Frozen Foods, the food retailer, whose relations with the City of late have been million against profits to Shearson's at \$11. almost as frosty as its freezer cover its recent restructuring. cabinets, has won back some City followers with better-The firm is expected to

announce the charge soon. It will represent a record on Wall The shares rose 21p to 269p, but are still 50p below their level five months ago when Street, eclipsing the \$470 million pre-tax charge taken by Merrill Lynch late last year. brokers sharply downgraded profit forecasts after iceland Shearson said: "The size of the charge is simply an andisclosed problems with integ-

alyst's estimate at this stage, and as previously announced we will take the charge in our first quarter of this year." American Express,

Shearson's parent, announced a revised bid yesterday to buy troubled investment bank subsidiary.

American Express will move 100 per cent of Shearson through a share swap at the rate of 0.48 of a Shearson share for one American Express share.

This is slightly more generous than the previous conversion rate announced. first quarter of 1990.

SHEARSON Lehman Hutton On yesterday's opening prices will be forced to make a record American Express shares were charge of more than \$700 trading at \$26 a share and

> American Express will issue 13 million shares to complete the swap and will proceed with the \$750 million capital injection to Shearson.

> This brings to \$1.4 billion the amount American Express has invested in Shearson over the past three months. Shearson, like many Wall

Street firms, ran into difficulty last year through a combination of doubtful real estate loans and bridge financing. It also suffered through the a revised bid yesterday to buy downturn in trading volume the remaining shares in its on the New York Stock Ex-

change. Shearson issued 28 million shares at \$34 a share early in 1987 to finance partly its expansion through the acquisition of the retail house EF Hutton

Shearson is expected show an operating loss of more than \$30 million for the

Tebbit in £38,000 decider

By Angela Mackay

BLUE Arrow shareholders will be asked at today's annual meeting to vote for changes to the company's articles of association. They would then allow the board to return about £38,000 to its most famous non-executive director, Mr Norman Tebbit, the former chairman of the Conservative Party.

At present, the articles specify that non-executive directors should share £20,000 annually. Blue Arrow has three non-executive directors and, according to the usual arithmetic, they should be paid about £6,650.

But a spokesman for Blue Arrow said on Monday that Tebbit had received £25,000 annually since he joined the board in November 1987. Mr Tebbit, and the other directors, apparently have repaid the surplus funds but are naturally interested in seeing the largesse reinstated. Mr Tebbit is expected to announce his resignation from the board today.

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Healthy life sustains Prudential

Profits to £386 million re-ported by the mighty Pruden-tial makes in pre-tax. Admittedly, that means two-thirds of the improvement in life profits was due to factors tial makes it sound as if 1989 other than growth. But the was a pretty uneventful year. ability to pay higher bonuses Nothing could be further from reflects the strength of life the truth, and although the operations. Overall figures were slightly above expectations, even the times covered by life profits, analysis were surprised at the analysis expect at least Waterline.

It was a bad year for natural disasters, causing a £96 mil- 7 per cent. lion downturn into loss from eneral insurance activities. The Pru needed to provide for a further £50 million against the Piper Alpha oil rig fire in 1988, most of which was run Bunzl up by its Mercantile & Gen-

eral reinsprance business The chain of 750 estate agencies turned out to be a it and loss account and balspectacular man-made dis- ance sheet, will have to watch ester, with £17 million profits its share register lest any prein 1988 displaced by losses of £49 million in 1989.

Nevertheless, these setbacks were offset by a 79 per cent rise in profits from life assurance, pensions and other long-

term business to £359 million. Mercantile & General has reviewed the likelihood of unexpectedly high AIDS-related claims, boosting re-ported profits by £25 million. And the decisions to pay higher bonuses to British policyliolders and to raise the proportion of the actuarial surplus on the life fund attributed to shareholders from 8 to 10 per cent added £81 million.

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Nth America

As the 9.2p dividend is 11/2 size of the changes below the another year of 15 per cent growth, putting the shares at 201p on a prospective yield of

At a time when many companies will be holding dividends at best, that could come to be seen as attractive.

BUNZL, which took a number of knocks on its 1989 profdator creep up while it fights to rise off its corporate knees. The body blows include

£3.5 million of currency losses and a fall in property profits to only £400,000 from £7.5 million in 1988, higher interest costs, at £15.2 million, exclusion of profits from businesses sold, and weak market conditions in some US market areas. In addition, Bunzl adopted

a stricter method of reporting Brazilian results, causing a £6 million hole, and shareholders' funds fell from £244.8 million to £233.7 million. The outcome was a 1989 pre-tax profit of £65.4 million,

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and U.S.A.

. £28.8m

£76.7m

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performances in the U.K.

1989 was £33.1m, an

Total profit before tax in

increase of 15% over 1988.

PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION.

-21.1

22.5 22.7 3.2

-15.2

-8.0

-7.9 -6.7

CORNHILL INSURANCE

ANOTHER YEAR OF PROGRESS

WORLD MARKET INDICES

138.9 -0.5 -13.9. 1274.8 -0.6 -18.2

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Cornhill Insurance has

continued to make good

and profit with

particularly strong

£529.9m

PREMIUM INCOME

Life business

General business

Underwriting result

General insurance profit

General business profit

Profit before taxation

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32 Comhill, London EC3V 3LJ.

Life business profit

PROFITS

progress in both premium

PREMIUM INCOME .

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-28.0

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Eventful year: From left, Sir Brian Corby, Prodential's outgoing chief executive, Lord Hunt, outgoing chairman, and Mr Mick Newmarch, chairman designate

Bunzl's first profits and earnings setback since 1981.

The final dividend is held at 3.3p, but, thanks to generosity at the interim stage, the year's payment is 5.9p (5.7p).

Having cleared the decks,

and with gearing down from a year-end 106 per cent to 67 per cent - and headed for 40 per cent this balance sheet date, if planned disposals go smoothly - Bunzi should stage somehing of a profit recovery in 1990. Interest cover, down from seven to four times,

POLITICIANS in Massachu-

setts are adding more legal

weaponry to the anti-takeover

arsenal that the United States

company, Norton, is expected to use to fight the \$1.6 billion

bid from BTR, the British

congressmen are sponsoring a

Bill whose success would

thwart any attempt by BTR to

carry out its threat of sacking all Norton's directors at the

American company's annual

Mr Kevin O'Sullivan, a

state representative from Nor-

ton's home town, Worcester,

Massachusetts, said: "BTR's

bid showed up a loophole in

the takeover laws we passed

last year to keep our best

companies free of these hostile

bids, and we're about to plug

The new law, which the

through in three weeks, would

More than 20 senators and constructed.

meeting four weeks tomorrow. be tested.

should improve to end 1990 at Bunzl's side, 1990 pre-tax between 12 and 15 times.

Certain areas of hope should lead profits forward, although until the cigarette market in China picks up the filters division will be slow. The re-definition of Bunzl, now down to four business

areas, should see a more even balance between any year's two halves, although little excitement should be expected from 1990's first half.

Politicians plan law to foil BTR's Norton bid

voted out in a proxy battle at time.

Current rules allow the en-

would go all internal anti-

takeover devices they had

The state has three laws

designed to protect corpora-

tions from unwanted bids.

One has been declared un-

constitutional, and two others,

enacted last year, have yet to

Of these, one freezes the

votes of a hostile bidder and

the other is designed to in-

volve a predator in huge tax

problems if it bids against the

reached an out-of-court settle-

ment on the law already ruled

BTR and Norton have

wishes of the target board.

an annual meeting.

A £9.53 million loss and the Sights should be set on the year as a whole. If time and business conditions stay on cancellation of the dividend at

tion of directors that could be either of the other two at any

tire board to be sacked on a over the next few weeks and shareholder vote. With them months.

profits may be between £70 million and £75 million, to

put the shares, at 96p, down

10p, on a prospective rating of 8.8. The 8.2 per cent yield

adds to the message: hold.

Countrywide

Hambro

estate-agency shortfall, and it sparkles.

billion. However, Countrywide's rationalization, which included 4,000 job cuts and 40 branch closures, succeeded in more than halving the £6.62 million first-half loss.

The figures were buoyed by profits of £2.8 million from the commercial side, and £4.5 million from life assurance. Without these, the core retail chain lost £14 million - £30,000 a branch. The branches have 80,000 unsold properties.

Mr John May, the managing director, is optimistic. Volumes are up this year, he says, and the group broke even in January. The number of estate agents may be falling, but there is still overcapacity. The large agents are zealous in their belief they are there for the long term, and are waiting for their neighbours to bite the bullet. But no corporate pocket is bottomiess and soon some of them may be forced to admit defeat.

Countrywide, 73 per cent owned by Hambros and Guardian Royal Exchange, is unlikely to be one of them. But at 43p a share, it is still at a premium to the market if it returns to profits of £15 million in 1991. Too high.

THE first company formed to take advantage of a decision made last year by Ofici, the communications industry with Prudential's £49 million

The damage came from a 47 per cent collapse in housing sales to 33,400, worth £2.6 an exaggeration by Ofiel. National Network is charging a fixed fee of £2,000 a line, aiming at companies with widely

> ASD boosts profit 8.9%

pendent steel stockholding company, increased sales 41 per cent to £206 million for the year to December 31. With an 8 per cent market share, its pre-tax profits rose 8.9 per cent to £7 million. including a £1.8 million contribution from acquisitions. The total dividend rises to 3.4p (3p) on a proposed final of 1.7p. Earnings per share were 14.2p (15.5p). The shares lost 5p to 68p.

THF buys

Watergate

TRUSTHOUSE Forte has

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Company formed to

regulator, to allow the resale of excess telephone network

National Network, administered and 90 per cent owned by

Mr Michael Davis, the founder of Windsor Television, has

bought leases on the Post Office's excess British Telegon

capacity and plans to expand this over the next couple of

years. Mr Davis is marketing his company as a potential

competitor to BT and Mercury, but this claim is considered

buy telephone lines

capacity, was launched this week.

dispersed networks in Britain.

ASD, Britain's largest indecontinued the British invasion of the American hotel industry with the \$50 milhon purchase of the Water. gate Hotel in Washington. It bought the 237-room hotel from the British Coal Board Pension Fund, which had owned it since 1979. Trusthouse said it would spend between \$5 million and \$8 million on renovations to improve the hotel's ranking

Clifford Foods falls

CLIFFORD Foods, the dairy products, fruit juice and convenience foods group, saw pre-tax profits fall by 38 per cent to £3.8 million in the year to end-December, despite a second half recovery. The profits decline was mainly due to increased competition and food scares.

Turnover climbed 9 per cent to £136.1 million. Earnings per share are reduced from 24.39p to 14.93p but the final dividend is maintained at 6.4p, making an unchanged total of 10p for the year. Interest costs increased by 69 per cent to £921,000. There were extraordinary gains of £1.15 million. Mr John Clifford, chairman, said 1990 had started well with the first two months considerably ahead of 1989.

Conder up to £10.4m

CONDER, the construction, prefabricated structures and property development group, announced increased pre-tax profits of £10.42 million, against £6.26 million, on a turnover up 76 per cent to £300 million in the year to December 31. A final dividend of 10p brings the total to 16p, compared with 11p for 1988. Earnings per share rose from 65p to 85p. A one-for-five share split is

Abbey warns of Ir£5m loss

ABBEY, the Dublin-based housebuilder, expects to make losses of about Ir£5 million (£4.84 million) for the current year due to a halving of land values in southern England. Mr Ray Davis, the chief executive, said that writedowns to cover this slump in land prices will exceed trading profits. The group made In£12.6 million before tax in 1988. A decision about dividends has yet to be made.

Trust hit by US costs

PRE-TAX profits at Scottish Heritable Trust, the property and industrial holding company based in York, were £10.1 million in 1989, down from £12.7 million in the previous year, Mr Cochrane Duncan, the chairman, blamed the profits fall on a slowdown in British property sales and the start-up costs of a new modular housing plant in the United States.

Profits in the group's manufacturing division, including its Standard Brock fireworks company, were £1.6 million - a turnaround from a 1988 loss of £270,000. Earnings per share

were 18p, down from 20.8p in 1988. An increased final

The company was wound up in October with debts of £9.6 million. As many as 8,000 council-house tenants lost

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THE WINTES

Warning to middlemen in council house sales

By Jon Ashworth

The Office of Fair Trading is ready to ban intermediaries who give misleading advice to council-house tenants buying their own homes. Sir Gordon Borrie, Director General of going to fight this bid tooth and nail. We intend to enforce Fair Trading, yesterday sent out a clear signal to brokers to clean up their act or risk the loss of their consumer-credit

The warning is the first of its

with home improvements.

money in the collapse. The number of companies

agreement.

(£3.11 million).

to 108p.

Sir Gordon said he was Mr John Cahill, BTR's chief making a clear statement about the sort of behaviour executive, met Mr Michael Dukakis, Governor of Massawhich makes traders unfit to chusetts, and other state polihold a licence. He said highpressure selling and practices like "cold calling" would no longer be tolerated.

ticians last week. Mr O'Sullivan said: "We've done some research on BTR, and I have no doubts that they intend to cut the workforce if kind on council-house sales they capture Norton." since the collapse of the

Mr O'Sullivan said: "I can

"We have made our feelings

see a great many court battles

known to BTR that we are

the latest anti-takeover legisla-

tion to the letter of the law,

and put every obstacle we can

Mr Thomas White, a state Homes Assured Corporation senator and a co-sponsor of last year. Homes Assured But this still leaves Norton, the Bill, said: "If these moves specialized in the right-to-buy politicians are trying to push its shareholders or the are criticized as being protecmarket, arranging mortgages Massachusetts Secretary of tionist and against the free limit, to a third, the propor- State the option of invoking market system, then so be it." council tenants, and assisting

Cathay takes off to £263m profit

in its path."

From Lula Yu, Hong Kong

Kong's flag-carrying airline, revealed that net profits soared 17.6 per cent to HK\$3.32 billion (£263.2 million) in 1989, hitting the upper end of market expectations.

Mr David Gledhill, the chairman, said the results had been helped by lower net borrowings, favourable exchange rates, good growth in passenger and cargo traffic and higher return on invested

Operating profit margins, however, will continue to be hurt by rising labour and fuel costs in 1990 despite prospects for another good year, he said.

: Mr Gledhill did not elaborate on the benefits of the acquisition of a stake in Dragonair, Hong Kong's sec-ond airline, but said Cathay had taken over its management. Cathay and its parent company, Swire Pacific, together bought a 35 per cent stake in Dragonair for final dividend of 31.5 cents a HK\$343 million in January. share, making a total of 42 The move made the group the cents, up 17 per cent.

CATHAY Pacific, Hong second largest shareholder of Kong's flag-carrying airline, the loss-making airline after Citic, the Peking investment firm, and was aimed at increasing Cathay's leverage with Chinese air regulators.

There is concern that once the crown colony is handed back to China in 1997, Cathay might be forced to play second fiddle to Peking's own flagcarrier, Civil Aviation Administration of China (CAAC). But Cathay is expected to

benefit from the growing demand for air travel in the Asia-Pacific region. It bought six additional aircraft last year, raising the airline's capacity by 9.2 per cent. Passenger revenues grew by 17 per cent to HK\$13.8 billion while cargo revenues rose 4.1 per cent to HK\$2.73 billion.

Earnings per share increased by 17.5 per cent to HK\$1.16 while turnover rose to HK\$17.28 billion. Shareholders will receive a

COMPANY BRIEFS

ALLIED PARTNERSHIP Pro-tax: £6.25m (£9.85m) EPS: 6.29p (6.08p) Div: 1p mkg 2p (1.75p)

£m

461,3

538.0

 $\{25.3\}$

16.5

15.0

31.5

(0.8)

LOPEX (Fin) Pre-tax: £8.28m (£6.52m) EPS: 22.45p (20.41p) Div: 4p mkg 6.9p (6p)

DERWENT VALLEY (Fin) Pro-tax: £3.54m (£2.81m) PS: 31.0p (22.4p) Div: 5p mkg 7.5p (6.1p)

HALSTEAD (JAMES) (Int) Pro-tax: 23.15m (23.31m) EPS: 14.14p (14.92p) Div: 4p (3.75p) MAYBORN GROUP (Fin)

Pre-tax: £0.20m (£2.13m) LPS: 2p (7.6p EPS) Div: 2.5p mkg 3.8p BILSTON & BATTERSEA

Pre-tax: 20.56m (20.31m) EPS: 8.6p (4.8p) Div: 3p mkg 4.75p (4.2p)

INISHTECH (9 months)
Pre-tax: IS2.82m (IS0.5m)
EPS: 23.7p (3.9p) Div: none

SERVOMEX (Fin) Pre-tax: £1.80m (£1.62m) EPS: 12.1p (12.2p) Div: 3.6p

Final results. Last year's profits included an exceptional property gain of £4.42m. Turnover increase by 25 per cent to £111.4m.

The company's operating margin narrowed slightly to 14.7 per cent, after higher UK production rental costs, Turnover at £188m (£154m).

The net assets per share rise by 33 per cent to 1085p. Net revenue from properties advanced by 41 per cent to £3.75m.

The floorcoverings business had a good first half, increasing profits in a competitive market. Turnover increased to £27.1m (£24.9m). Last year's total dividend was 3.80 Turnover rises to \$28.9m (\$25.3m).

Operating profits at Dylon were 40 per cent of those achieved in 1988. Final results. Sales advanced to £4.83m (£4.13m). The company said

that the orders for the first quarter are ahead of last year's. The comparative figures are for the year to end-March 1989. Sales increased to I£17.8m for the nine months, against I£3.5m for the year

Chairman said the company enters 1990 with a strong order book. Turnover increased by 18.7 per cent

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

acting as middlemen in the purchase of council homes has soared since the right-to-buy scheme was introduced in 1980. The firms usually make no charge to tenants, instead taking commissions on endowment mortgages and home-The OFT said the right of these middlemen to operate was not in question, but the practices of some certainly Examples included "cold calling", arranging an in-surance policy before the property had been valued or into thinking that the firm had some connection with the local council, and putting pressure on chents to agree to home-improvement works as part of the mortgage Pittard up PITTARD Gamar, the leather group, reported a 1989 rise in profits, before tax and exceptional items, to £4 million, Earnings rose from 3 5p to 11.8p and sales rose from £17.4 million to £18.6 million. The final dividend is unchanged at 4.15p although the dividend for the year is up 0.2p at 6.1p. The shares fell 2p Strong & Fisher, former bidder for Pittard, saw profits for year end-June 1989 fall from £7.8 million to £1.2

£m 1989 404.4 76,7 125.5 529.9 {14.4} -Investment income attributable to general insurance funds 30.4 Shareholders' investment and other income 9.3 25.3 Share of associated companies' results Provision for staff profit sharing share scheme (0.5)will be available shortly from

A member of the Allianz Group

in Davy

By Jeremy Andrews

DAVY, Britain's largest pro-cess plant contractor, and Spie

Batignolles, the leading

French construction group, are to merge their metallur-

gical engineering businesses.

Spie is to sell Davy its fast-

growing Clecim subsidiary for new shares worth £43 million, giving the French company a

14.7 per cent stake in Davy's

strategic move into Conti-nental Europe without dilut-

There is a standstill agree-ment which prevents Spie from raising its stake in Davy

Spie has warranted that

Clecim's profits in 1990 will

be Ffr70 million, though this

figure may be reduced to Pfr64 million depending on the performance of a specific

Davy's shares rose by 9p to

Sale plan

for Access

processor

By Our City Staff

SIGNET, the Access credit

card processing company, is being offered for sale by the

Although the four, Midland,

Lloyds, National Westminster

and Royal Bank of Scotland,

yesterday declined to com-

ment on reports of sale plans.

possible purchasers are being

approached to assess their

reaction if Signet were offered

four banks that own it.

within the next four years.

ing our earnings".

245p on the news.

equity.

Willis Faber writes off £19.5m against merger

WILLIS Faber, the City's after the merger. Willis spent second-largest insurance broker, has been forced to write records last year and estimates off £19.5 million against its 1987 merger with Stewart

Part of the money is being spent on employing more than 100 people to sort through Stewart's broking records and try to recover unpaid debts from as far back as the 1970s. A spokesman said: "We knew the records were in poor condition at the time. We didn't realize they would need this amount of work."

The company is, trying to collect the debts after it discovered an unspecified shortfall in Stewart's cash balances to the Stewart write-off, Willis

Profit at

S&Fup

to £22m

SINGER & Friedlander, the

merchant banking and invest-

ment group, increased pre-tax

Investment activities benefited from the £53 million

raised from the Centrovincial

management arm attracted £50 million to lift total funds

C & L advice Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte.

the accountant, has been appointed to advise on the accounts of ECGD insurance

services, based in Cardiff,

which becomes a public com-

Runciman bid

Walter Runciman, the trans-

port to insurance group, seems

to be escaping Avena's £48 million bid. Avena has se-

cured just 0.15 per cent accep-

tances. It now controls 33.1

QS, which sells clothing, is coming to the market via a

placing by Panmure Gordon of 10.8 million shares at 100p,

giving the group a market capitalization of £39 million.

Sir Peter Walters, retiring

chairman of BP, had a 38 per

cent pay risc to £708,722 in the year to end-December.

London N7, has asked us to

point out that it does not have

any business connection with Ideal Nippy Ltd. other than

that it underlet part of the first

floor and second and third

floors of premises at 110

Camden Road to that com-

pany. Continental points out

it did not know Ideal Nippy

was involved in financial ser-

vices at that address, but

believed it was a motorcycle

dispatch company. The terms

of the tenancy only permitted

the use of the offices for this

Out on his

NEW York property tycoon

Donald Trump has received

blanket coverage in recent

weeks for his extramarital

affairs - but his good-natured

charm does not, it seem, extend to investment analysts,

especially when those analysts

dare to cast doubt on his \$1.5

billion - according to Forbes.

but not his wife Ivana -

property and casino empire.

Wall Street firm Janney

Montgomery Scott has just

fired its casino analyst Marvin

Roffman after Trump threat-

ened legal action over com-

ments he made about his

casinos. Roffman's "crime"

concerned Trump's latest

1,250-room casino in Atlantic

City - due to open next week

- which is being partially funded by a \$675 million issue

of mortgage bonds. After Trump himself admitted that

the casino would need to gross

\$1 million a day to cover

operating costs and interest, Roffman did a few sums and

concluded - in an article in

the Wall Street Journal - that turnover would fall short of

that target. Trump, clearly

unappreciative, immediately

wrote to the investment bank

threatening legal action unless

the said analyst made a public

apology or was dismissed. The

irm chose the later course of

iction and Trump now says:

VALL Street may have had a ad time last year, but it does

ot seem to have been re-

ected in the annual pay

"Il was a wise decision."

Hard times

rump -

BP pay rise

Continental

Motor Centre Continental Motor Centre Limited of Tufnell Park Garage, Campdale Road,

pany in April 1991.

OS to list

to £850 million.

work will continue for another two years. The rest of the provision is intended to cover losses on property disposals after the group rationalized its separate operations.

Willis paid £254 million for Stewart in September 1987 in a move to combine its wholesale broking business with Stewart's retail brokerage. But the enlarged business was plagued with staff defections, which included Mr David Rowland, Stewart's chairman, who joined Sedgwick as chief executive in 1988. In addition

losses on the Lloyd's syndicate 895 after settling out of court with the syndicate's 244 names. The syndicate incurred large losses between 1980 and 1982, at which point Willis acquired its man agent. Willis has agreed to cover part of the losses.

The provision did not mar Willis's 1989 figures since it was charged directly against reserves. The company's pretax profits rose 15 per cent to £62.3 million, higher than analysts' forecasts. The final dividend of 8.15p, up 7 per cent, makes 12p for the year, a rise of 5 per cent.

has provided £3.7 million for million extraordinary profit on the sale of its 20.4 per cent stake in Morgan Grenfell to Banque Indosuez and Deut-sche Bank. Meanwhile, the final profit contribution from Morgan rose from £6.5 million to £10.7 million.

Willis increased its brokerage income by 4 per cent to £238 million, despite the softness of the London insurance market. It contained costs to a. 7 per cent rise to £231 million.

The company was helped by high interest rates, which allowed investment income to rise 44 per cent to £29.7 million. Profits from Willis ise of 5 per cent. Faher & Dumas, the managing
Willis also made a £49.3 agent, halved to £1.6 million.

Marley hit by rate rise



Marley's George Russell: hoping to ride out the storm

building and construction trades, saw 1989 pre-tax profits struck down from £70.2 million to £56.2 million because of difficult UK mar-

ket conditions. Operations involving concrete blocks and bricks were particularly bard bit.

MARLEY, the diversified chief executive, says the dematerials supplier to the cline was severe in the second half as interest rate increases began to bite, and even if interest rates fell this year, it would not be before 1991 that Marley would benefit. Worries over the poll tax were

Profits from overseas companies increased, which helped stem the profits slide. Mr George Russell, the

Mr Russell said Marley had the ability to ride out the storm. "However, our expectation is there will be no significant reduction in UK interest rates during 1990".

Marley managed a 1989 turnover of £638.4 million holding its final dividend at

share payment for the year.

A sale has been made inevitable by changes in the credit card market, in particular the ending of the polarization and those offering Access. 4.25p a share, payable June 1, making an unchanged 6.35p a With most banks now offering both, there is less need for a dedicated processor.

more formally.

French COMMENT take 14% stake

Why all roads appear to lead to the EMS

delicate subject of Britain's entry into the exchange rate mechanism (ERM) of the European Monetary System. Without some way of preventing further depreciation of the pound, the Business School has concluded, the Chancellor will not achieve an inflation rate below 5 per cent in the course of next year towards which his efforts, both

Clecim, which is based in economic and political, are bent. Paris and specializes in elec-The LBS forecasts are no less fallible than anyone else's. But their conclusions are plausible, and their view of the tric arc furnaces, rolling mills and process and finishing economy tends to be closer to the Treasury's than any other outside lines, also has operations in the United States and Spain. Over the past three years, its forecaster's.

turnover has more than dou-bled from £107 million to On the LBS view there is little hope of achieving an inflation rate as low as the £232 million, while profits have quadrupled from £1.9 million to £8.25 million. forecast 74 per cent by the final quarter of this year, in or out of the EMS. The Business School has run two alternative The new subsidiary's profits forecasts, the "soft option" of current will account for a quarter of policies and the "hard option" of no depreciation, and on neither does the inflation rate fall below 8 per cent by the Davy's total on a pro forma Mr Michael Kingdon, Da-vy's chief executive, said: "I think we've made a good

end of this year. Next year, however, different policies start to bring about divergent results. The soft option produces an inflation rate of about 5½ per cent by the end of the year, but the hard option brings it

down to just under 5 per cent.

The LBS is sceptical that the Treasury's conventional assumption of an unchanged exchange rate will be borne out in reality without some policy change. They see sterling sliding from its present 87.3 on the effective exchange rate to 85 by the end of this year and 82 by the end of next. The obvious way to stop this is by joining the ERM, and as the former Chancellor, Nigel Lawson, implied in the Commons at the beginning of the week the sooner the better.

P&O's silver lining

rowing concerns over the worsening housing slump have dogged the shares of Peninsular & Oriental for a year now. Over the past 12 months, P&O has underperformed the market by some 20 per cent. The reaction to the 1989 profits was lukewarm. The company and its shareholders will have to live for a while longer with the City's gloomy pre-occupation with housebuilding at the expense of the broad spread of other operations, mostly doing well.

If the tail is wagging the dog, P&O has not helped shareholders to measure accurately the extent of its exposure to building. The Bovis housing operations are lumped together with construction and development businesses. Stripping out the £21.9 million profit from the sale million. It is clear that construction, effect.

he London Business School has with a £5.5 billion order book and let the cat out of the bag on the development activities made headway. The housing operations therefore fell

much much more than 15 per cent. Not only did profits slump, but the extra work in progress contributed to a higher level of gearing, 65 per cent at the year end, and a near-50 per cent boost in

interest charges.

In all, the market professed itself disappointed by a 19 per cent boost in profits to £376.7 million and is looking for further falls in housing this year. Shareholders can, however, look elsewhere for comfort.

The passenger shipping operations performed magnificently, chipping in profits of £110 million, against £50.4 million, and the momentum is set to continue with new cruise ships coming into service soon.

The container and bulk shipping side, down from £54.1 million to £33 million at the operating level, will benefit from a recovery in container shipping. And P&O has plenty of scope to boost cash flow by releasing properties from its investment portfolio.

With pre-tax profits of about £400 million in sight this year, the shares trade at below nine times likely earnings. For the longer term, this is far too low for a company with P&O's strengths, no matter how the bid battle for Laing Properties is finally resolved.

Ridley's late take-off

r Nicholas Ridley, the Trade Secretary, has adopted a flak-jacket approach to competition policy by his intervention in the thorny matter of European airline regulation. Despite an ongoing investigation by the competition authorities in Brussels, Mr Ridley referred the proposed three-way link between British Airways, the Belgian carrier Sabena and Holland's KLM for Monopolies Commission

Mr Ridley has left it late. Brussels is expected to deliver a judgment by the end of the week; the MMC has until the end of June to complete its deliberations. Two investigations into the same proposals would strike most businessmen as one too many, especially as Brussels assumes much wider responsibilities within the community for resolving such complex pan-European competition issues as soon as Septem-

There is also a danger that the Commission may be tempted to throw the baby out with the bathwater and block a merger that will form a powerful European competitor to US airlines for the sake of narrow and relatively smallof shares in Taylor Woodrow, this scale domestic operations. Such an division recorded a fall in operating outcome in the name of greater comprofits of about 15 per cent to £134 petition might easily have the reverse

Steetley rise beats forecasts

EXPANSION in France and strong progress abroad helped offset the downturn in British building materials at Steetley, the bricks, tiles and quarry

Turnover was up 25 per cent to £654.6 million, as the benefits of Steetley's European expansion came through.

Earnings per share rise by 15 per cent to 45.96p. The

final dividend is improved idly since 1985, spending from 7.5p to 9p, making a total of 13.75p for the year,

Turnover for bricks, tiles now accounts for 19 per cent of the group's activities.

Quarry products, which have benefited from strong growth and acquisitions, saw turnover advance to £424.5 million, making up 54 per cent of the group's turnover.

Steetley has expanded rap- to 390p.

more than £100 million on French quarries, to become the largest aggregates producer in France. Last week's £92 million acquisition of the independent supplier, Gobitta consolidated this position.

Mr David Donne, the chairman, said the current year had started well.

Interest costs were reduced to £4.55 million, with gearing at 24 per cent at the end of last year. The shares firmed by 1p

compared with 11.5p last year. and concrete products fell by 3 per cent to £127.6 million and

products group. Pre-tax profits advanced by 27 per cent to £110.9 million in the year to end-December, ahead of market forecasts.

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

A flier on GrandMet aircraft left the ground at CTTY drinks analysts will be scrutinizing their newspaper Heathrow, on what promises to be a "gruelling" week-long trip, than one budding enwith even more interest than usual this Saturday - because trepreneur on board had arthere could be as much as £200 in it for them. That is how much is up for grabs in a sweepstake riding on the back to GrandMet's share price of a tour being conducted for the brewery experts of according to Saturday's paper. The shares ended last week at

GrandMet's operations in the

US. For no sooner had the wheels of the fully- laden

returns now being filed to the US tax authorities by senior broking and banking staff. Salomon Brothers' chairman John Gutfreund did take a \$500,000 pay cut, but was still left with \$3.5 million. And this sum fell well short of his chief trader, John Meriwether, who reportedly earned \$8 million for his efforts last year. Salo-

mon also paid Ernst Weil, who "Wow - Rolls-Cosworth"

runs its successful Phribo Energy oil operations, \$6.4 million while American Express chairman James Robinson - redundant Shearson Lehman and Messel employees will be delighted to learn earned \$2.6 million.

ranged a £5 a head sweepstake

on just what the trip would do

596p apiece. Bets in the

stake range from 570p

Off junk heap SALOMON Brothers has become the latest securities house to benefit from the decline of junk bond king Drexel Burnham Lambert by hiring three of its former junk bond experts in New York, Joseph Bencivenga, previously senior vice-president of Drexel's junk bond desk, will be named director of highyield research at Salomon with effect from April 2, while Donald Mullen, a top junk bond salesman, started as a Salomon managing director on Monday. Completing the hat-trick, Jon Budish, a former Drexel trader, joined

Salomon as a vice-president

on its trading desk last week.

Part-time racer HISTORY has repeated itself

for Michael Dunn, the en-

gineering director at Rolls-Royce Motors, although this time around it has come to a somewhat different conclusion. For Dunn, who is to become the part-time chairman of the Cosworth engine business, which is in the process of being acquired by Vickers, has revealed that several months ago he had almost been poached for the same job by Cosworth itself. Regarded in the trade as "a bit of a boffin" - he held a number of senior engineering positions at Ford Europe before going to Rolls-Royce in 1983 - Dunn was originally approached by Cosworth's chairman Mike Costin, who wanted to retire and was seeking a successor. Just as Vickers was beginning to cast covetous eyes over Cosworth unbeknown to Dunn Dunn decided that he could best help Cosworth by taking a non-executive role there while continuing with his full-time job at Rolls-Royce. "That didn't fit for Cosworth who were looking for a full-timer," says Dunn. Talks were broken off just as the Vickers-Cosworth discussions got off the ground and now Dunn has been offered the chair by Vickers' chairman Sir David Plastow. Clearly having been fully briefed on previous events, Plastow warned him jokingly yesterday: "Part-time this may be, but it is absolutely an executive job.

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BUSINESS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Patten calls on UK industry to meet pollution challenge

At a conference hosted by Coopers & Lybrand

Deloitte and The

Times, the **Environment**

Secretary gave a

warning against

missing key

technological

opportunities

THE growing demand for en-vironmental technology offers "truge opportunities" to in-dustry, Mr Chris Patten, Secretary of State for the Envi-ronment, told leading industrialists yesterday. But, he gave warning that these opportu-

Mr Patten, addressing the Business and the Environ-Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte and The Times, said he hoped the emerging market in pollu-tion control technology would not provide opportunities simply for the Germans and

Conservative estimates, he aid, put the worldwide market in pollution abatement and clean technology at £100 billion or more, with large growth expected everywhere, particularly in Eastern Europe and the Pacific rim.

"The current UK pollution ment market is valued at over £3 billion for manufacturing industry with growth of around 9 per cent a year expected over the next 10 years," he said. "I hope that won't be regarded exclusively as a challenge for German and

The West European market, he said, was now estimated at about £20 billion and expected to increase to £30 billion by the end of the decade. In addition, there were the expenditure programmes of the utilities - £26 billion on environmental improvements by the British water industry and a possible £6 billion by the Taking the green initiative



over the next 10

share in some segments of the ronmental consultancy, materials recovery and sewage treatment," Mr Patten said. "But it is less strong in others, for instance, waste incineration and waste-handling equip-

effective ways to clean up the

environment while halting

further pollution, the con-

Environmentalists are mov-

ing away from sole reliance on

government legislation and

punitive measures to curb

industry's worst environ-

mental abuses. Instead, they

are motivating companies to

take the initiative in finding

processes to limit industrial

pollution while devising

greener products and services.

"Government and industry

have a common objective in

protecting the environment. It

is simply no longer a question of the old-fashioned com-

mand and control' approach to dealing with the problem,"

said Dr Edward Bennett, dir-

ector of the European Commi-

ference was told.

ment. To the best of our knowledge the relative share of the UK in the world market is in decline. Clearly, there are opportunities to change this

But the opportunities, huge though they were, were only part of the story, Mr Patten told the leaders of large manufacturing and financial com-

BRITISH industry must take and Environment, Nuclear he said, pointing to a system a leading role in devising Safety and Civil Protection. in the US where companies

vent pollution now rather

He called for voluntary ag-

reements by industry to limit

their emissions in line with

Dr Robert Hahn, who help-

ed President Bush draft the

Clean Air Act now progressing

through Congress, said mar-ket-based economic incent-

ives would play a much bigger

role in the fight against

Governments should fix

targets on cutting emissions or

reducing the amount of toxic

waste produced, and then

able for industry to adopt bet-

national and EC strategy.

cost will be far less."

"If industry invests to pre- are given a set number of

than have to cure it later, the they can sell once they have

allow companies "some flexibility in getting there," he said.

around it, the public needs

"We need to make it profit- proof that industry is taking

In a speech covering many aspects of industry's attitude to the environment, Mr Patten set out some forceful home truths, referring to "the destructive potential of in-dustry," which for a period

environment is a

"emission permits," which

reduced their own emissions.

tonnes of waste, it better have

50 permits or else it will get a

penalty that far exceeds the

value of the permit," Dr Hahn

said. Voluntary self-regula-

tion, without strict govern-

ment monitoring and enforce-

the Green Alliance, said busi-ness had to "close the gap" be-

tween public expectations and

shouldn't be capital expend-

concrete steps towards achiev-

"Environmental spending

Mr Tom Burke, director of

ment, would not help.

its performance.

"If a company is emitting 50

strategic issue for every busi-ness, from product design, right through to marketing, packaging and disposal of the final product. Environmental

ness across the board. The market and political pressures on businesses to be green are pervasive. It is the depth and breadth of this pressure which tells you clearly it is not going to go away. It is not a passing fad. Indeed, I am quite confident that it will continue to gather

performance will increasingly be a key factor in competitive

The prizes would go to those who followed, anticipated and even led consume ally friendly goods and ser-vices, he said. "Those who do not will increasingly lose their

Competitive edge."

Mr Patten invited industry
to go forward in a number of
environmental areas. Public access to environmental information, as envisaged in the Green Bill going through Parliament, was "not an unneces

He said: "It is absolutely essential to the retention of public confidence." Environmental audits of a

company's performance had a particularly important part to play. "I suggest that it would be to companies' advantage to go further still and produce public statements setting out their environmental policies and their performance in meeting regulatory require-

Among the benefits of doing so would be the recruitment and retention of employees. No one will want to work for a company with a ropey repuation on the environment."

And the economics of waste minimization would "loom increasingly large in your investment plans," he said. "Waste is literally what it says and minimizing waste means minimizing cost."

Mr Patten said he wanted very much to hear industry's views in shaping his forthcoming White Paper on the environment, which will be published in the autumn. "I hope that in the lead up to it there can be a constructive dialogue between business and Government," he said.

Michael McCarthy Environment Correspondent

Four vital issues in 'decade of obligation'

FOR business, the Eighties were the decade of opportunity, but the Nineties are the decade of obligation, the con-ference was told by Mr Brandon Gough, the chairman of Coopers and Lybrand Deloitte (Michael McCarthy writes).

Even at this very early stage the atmosphere is perceptibly different," Mr Gough said, adding that he identified four issues of strategic importance related to the environment

The first was whether business would take the initiative. or wait for legislation.
The second was globalization: the developed countries

must not export their pollution to the third world. The third was whether or not we had enough time for

rational analysis. "The environmental issues are complex, but they're also highly emotive," he said. "Business doesn't have much time left to put its side of the

The final issue was "the threat from The City," Mr Gough maintained. "There is growing criticism

of the short-term focus of our professinal investors," said. " Businesses are under constant pressure to deliver standing if the corporate response is to be earnings growth, but environmental investments are essentially long-term in nature. So and the winners will be anthe great question is: will the

Special incentives ruled out

State for the Environment, has ruled out the inclusion of any special incentives for the City to support British industry in its attempts to clean up and protect the environment in his White Paper to be published this year.

In response to concern over the damaging effect of City short-termism on industry's efforts to clean up its act, Mr Patten said the Government's plans to encourage industry to take a leading role on green issues with its own "market-based initiatives" were in-

think industry and government should be moving is as much an incentive as banks and investment managers should look for," he told the conference,

"I wouldn't envisage more carrots or lollipops than that," he said. However, Mr Brandon Gough, the

chairman of Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte, the firm of accountants, pointed to growing criticism of the short-term focus taken by professional investors in the City. "Business is under constant pressure

to deliver earnings growth, yet environmental investments are essentially for "I think the clarification of where we the longer term," he said. Mr Gough

would play its part in recognizing the immense level of capital expenditure needed to finance alternative and lowcost procedures for saving energy and. cutting down on pollution.

Mr Tom Burke, director of the Green Alliance, said industry initiatives would only be successful with the backing of the "What industry requires is City under-

anticipatory rather than reactive; opportunity-led rather than constraintforced," Mr Burke told the conference

Framework for industry course have implications on the scale of production. Best Practicable Environmental Option is a necessary



part of all environmental impact assessments now required for all new process plants in Britain and is accepted in industry. If it is applied to current operations where there are problems in meeting existing or envisaged criteria, it could be an effective approach towards controlled and visible management of emissions.

Sir Alistair believes good

British and American TV firms join forces



Robert Wussler: 'we can be each other's eyes and ears'

COMSAT Video Enterprises, the American satellite company which beams seven video channels directly into 350,000 US hotel rooms, has linked up with a British television programme distribntor to tap cable television, satellite and video opportunities in Britain and Europe, (Melinda Wittstock writes).

It has hired HIT Communications, which distributes such programmes as Spitting Image and The Muppets to more than 120 countries, to help it identify opportunities to acquire cable television franchises and expand its video network and television services outside the US.

Mr Robert Wussler, president and chief executive of CVE, would not reveal the terms of the deal but said the link-up would be of great financial benefit to both

Ted Turner, the American television entrepreneur, to become senior executive vicepresident of Turner Broadcasting System Inc.

He said CVE, a subsidiary of COMSAT, an international telecommunications company started 26 years ago by the US government, will also set up joint ventures with HIT to coproduce television shows and films for the cable and satellite

Mr Peter Orton, founder and managing director of HIT, said both companies will announce specific cable television joint ventures in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union within three months.

Deals with British and European hotels for in-room pay television and videoconference facilities will also be announced shortly, he said.

respective marketplaces," he Cable consortium bidding for said. Mr Wussler was with three British cable franchises, cable franchises, cable franchises, and CBS Television Network and CBS Sports before joining Mr the development of satellite and cable TV throughout

> "Very soon we will all be choosing what we want to watch on television effectively from an 'à la carte' menu which allows us to watch what we want when we want to watch it," he said.

He said COMSAT's pioneering compressed video technology will enable cable TV and video companies to transmit tailor-made television directly into homes on a low-cost subscription basis.

The link-up between HIT. which is 20 per cent-owned by the USM-quoted Flextech. and CVE comes as North American video and telephone companies have com-mitted themselves to investing £4 billion to connect 14.5 million British homes to HIT, part of the Metro cable television by 1995.

Taking North Sea L&M gain is below rigs out of service 'will cost £4bn'

THE cost of de-commission- self-sufficient in oil until at ing offshore oil and gas installations is expected to be about £4 billion in the British sector of the North Sea alone, ilies plan for funerals a long Mr Peter Morrison, Energy Minister, said,

world activity in terms of areas.
removal costs," he told OAR • The Royal Bank of Scotland
90, the Offshore Abandonspecialist oil team said a big ment and Removal conference in Aberdeen.

Mr Morrison said British tax concessions on offshore abandonment announced in previous 25 per cent. He expected Britain to be since last July.

least the mid-1990s. But forward planning was essential and "the best organized fam-Those who forecast the end

'The North Sea accom- of the North Sea field in the modates a mere 5 per cent of mid-90s were being pessimisthe world's platforms by mum- tic, he said, adding that he ber. However, the size and made his judgment on recent complexity of North Sea in-discoveries and forecasts of stallations, designed to with-levels of investment. He stand extreme wind and wave planned to announce a new conditions, will account for a initiative to encourage very significant proportion of exploration in the frontier

recovery in British oil output this year was unlikely, chiefly because of bad weather and maintenance shutdowns.

The bank, which keeps a the Budget were generous.
Operators will be able to set 100 per cent of de-commissioning costs against corporation tax — instead of a month to 116.7, down 4.7 from January and the lowest

forecasts

By Angela Mackay

A LOWER than expected profit for 1989 pushed the share price of London & Metropolitan, the property development group, op lower to 114p. Analysis had forecast pre-tax profits of £18 million,

but they climbed only to £15.5 million, from £13.8 million. The final dividend edges up to 4.25p, making 6.25p for the year. Earnings per share in-

creased from 20.5p to 21.32p. Last year, the group completed the Whiteleys retail complex in Bayswater, central London, which is almost fully let. Analysts suggested that London & Metropolitan's 70,000 sq ft development in St James's Square, however, had not been as successful and had held back performance.

Current projects include a 450-acre golf and leisure complex in the south of France and the group's two biggest London projects, County Hall and Spitalfields,

Directors said continuing high interest rates and lack of institutional interest in property investment were of concern this year.

Training awards present challenge for fourth year By Derek Harris

THE National Training

Awards, regarded as Britain's leading training competition, were launched into their fourth year by Mr Tim Eggar, the Employment Minister, speaking at the Human Re-source Development Week conference in London. The Times is again giving a

special award for training related to the single European market Channel 4's Business Daily programme is making one for strategic development of training to meet organizational and business objectives. The closing date is May 25

nounced in November. Last year, there were 80 awards and more than 1,300 entries. Past winners have reported benefits including an increase in customer awareness for products or services, improved quality of potential recruits and a boost in employee morale and loyalty.

There are three categories: training undertaken by employers; training done for employers by training providers; and inpovation and/or development of training methods or media that have proved effective for a client. Mr Eggar said: "The Nat-

ional Training Awards provide an opportunity to reward the best while offering a challenge to every other organization in the country." Details from National Train-



TEmphasis on best: Tim Eggar launches the awards

'Profit is not all' BUSINESSMEN and women for a man or woman going are motivated by sentiments into business just to make other than pure profit. These money, and I therefore think can be harnessed by people the task of those people who who care about the environment, Mr Simon Jenkins, Edi-

tor of The Times, told the He said that the accusation made against businessmen that they were solely motivated by profit was very rarely the case. "They're motivated by a whole range of unquan-

tifiable sentiments. "Some have to do with the esteem in which they're held by their colleagues, and fre-quently they're seeking publicity for themselves, or some other form of immortality.

"But whatever the case, planet, in the widest and the very rarely is the sole purpose narrowest sense."

ment is not just economic. It is to try to harness that unquantifiability in the motivation of businessmen - harness it to the environmental cause.

"You've got to persuade them that the environment is about a wider cause than purely the profit motive, and because most businessmen are not purely interested in the annual bottom line, it should not be impossible to persuade them that one of the causes that business enterprise is about is the future of the

mental policy which management might find acceptable for industrial sites were outlined by Sir Alistair Frame, chairman of RTZ. They are: Criteria should be scientifically based and address priority issues, but the importance of politically and pressure group-inspired regulation has

also to be accepted and subjected to close scrutiny. • For the main pollutants, criteria will increasingly be derived from European Community directives, which must be seen to be implemented rigorously in Britain.

Sir Alistair: five aims

understood by professionals and the general public.

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WORLD MARKETS

Roller-coaster trading halts rally in Tokyo

WALL STREET

Tokyo (Reuter) — Shares Hang Seng index fell 3.17 closed mixed after a roller-points to end at 3,010.85. coaster session of active and volatile trading.

After opening higher, prices taking, but rose again in the afternoon on buy programs prompted by wider index futures premiums on cash

However, prices eased towards the close, forcing the Nikkei index 14.53 points, or 0.05 per cent, lower to 31,825.96. The index surged

1,468.33 on Monday. One foreign broker said: There's some natural profittaking each time the market goes up as high as it did over the past couple of days. A lot of people were chasing things and then wondered why and

sold them. Hong Kong — Share prices closed easier after trading narrowly on a lack of incentives to push the market higher, brokers said. The

Mar 27 Mar 26 middev close

● New York - The collapse of the rally on Wall Street on past few days. Conditions Monday, based on soaring Tokyo prices, led to light early selling. The Dow Jones industrial average was down 4.51 points at 2,703.15 and declinfund managers. The ticker page showed a line of 1 million Reed International, 3p lower at 402p, and 1 million BOC Group, down 11p. at 544p. ing issues held a small lead over gainers amid himited

 Singapore — The stock mar-ket closed on a mixed note we - The stock marafter selective buying alternated with light and scattered profit-taking, brokers said. The Straits Times industrial index closed 3.04 points higher at a record 1.607.12. surpassing the previous hest of 1,604.08 set on Monday.

● Sydney — The All-Ord-inaries index finished 8.6 points lower at 1,558.5, while the gold marker fell 82.3 points to 1,623.3 ● Frankfurt — The 30-share

exchange. Government secur Dax index fell 14.55 points to 1,924.98. ities were left nursing falls of £% at the longer end. The pound's recovery hit some of the big exporters, with falls in ICI, 25p to £11.06, Glaxo, 16p to 780p, and BAT

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falling sharply.

remained thin, with only 386

million shares traded. But all

the" business was one-way,

with several large lines of

stock coming on offer from

The fall in the equity market

was accelerated in late trading after a hesitant start on Wall

Street. At the new official

closing time of 4.30pm, the

FT-SE 100 index was near its

low of the day, down 32 points at 2,266.2. The FT index of

top 30 shares fell 26.9 to

This week's rally in the

bond market also came to a

halt, despite further gains by

the pound on the foreign

Industries, 1½p to 795p. fell 20p to 668p as recent profit downgradings by bro-kers continued to take their

toll. Analysts are worried about problems on its lighting side. Profit-taking also left Wellcome 12p lower at 708p. The price was boosted reappointing trading and cor-porate news brought out the sellers and sent share prices An early markdown soon turned into a rout, wiping out cently by a review of Retrovir, its anti-Aids drug, by Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the broker. the post-Budget rally of the

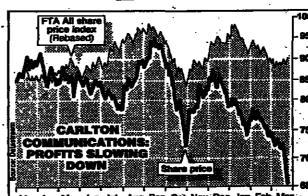
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British Aerospace held at 499p. There is talk that a European airline is set to place a contract for the Airbus. BAe is part of the consortium building the Airbus.

BAA Group firmed 1p to 407p, having been as high as 417p at one stage. This week, Mr Michael Ashcroft's ADT issued a circular explaining the strategy behind its 8.4 per cent investment, worth £150 million, in the company. ADT has been requesting alterations to BAA's articles of

windows group, held steady at 114p. Albert E Sharp, the broker, says the shares are a buy, given the good prospects for growth. It expects pre-tax profits in 1990 to grow from £2.26 llion to £3.2 million, where the prospective p/e falls from 8.8 to 8.

association preventing anyone from holding more than 15 per cent of the shares. Speculators believe ADT would like to make a full bid despite the golden share option blocking any unwanted bid approaches. P&O fell 25p to 592p after



STOCK MARKET

line with expectations. Pre-tax profits were up from £316.6 million to £376 million. Sir Jeffrey Sterling, the chairman, expects the company to expects the company to achieve further growth in earnings and dividends during than £50 million.

the next decade. But the City seemed unimpressed. Chelsfield, the private property company, to bid £414 million for Laing Properties, down 4p at 647p, after 640p. But dealers reckon a higher offer seems unlikely.

Marley, the tiles and DIY group, gained ½p to 128½p, despite reporting a fall in annual pre-tax profits from £70.2 million to £56.2 million. Five of its seven divisions reported profit setbacks. Marley blamed these on high

Analysts had been steadily downgrading their forecasts for 1989 in recent months and are busily reducing their esti-

Bunzl, the paper and packaging group where pre-tax profits tumbled from £93.2 million to £65.4 million, fell 10p to 96p. But better-thanexpected profits lifted Iceland, the frozen food group, 21p to 269p. Profits surged from £9 million to £35.4 million, helped by Bejam's contribu-

builder, fell 5p to 80p after a profits warning. The group expects to make a trading profit, but said write-downs on land values would result in a net loss for the year.

on the opinion polls, concerned by the prospect of renationalization should a Labour government be returned at the general election. Falls were seen in Anglian, 4p Falls were seen in Anguain, 4p to 164p, North West, 1p to 159p, Severa Trent, 4p to 136p, Southern, 3p to 138p, South West; 3p to 162p, Thanses, 4p to 148p, Welsh, 3p to 173p, Wessex, 2p to 155p, and Yerkshere, 8p to 168%. The water nackage fell 168½p. The water package fell

£30 to £1,530. the television and film services group, tumbled 81p to 590p on the news that it is to its Cosworth motor subsidiary to Vickers for £163.5 million. Vickers will pay an initial £80 million and

shipping and insurance group, since it consolidated its shares into one for every 10 held. The price jumped 23p to a peak of 290p in thin trading as one broker tried to clear the market out of stock. Some good news could

satisfy the balance with the issue of non-interest bearing loan notes payable in 1991-92. Its shares slipped 3p to 210p. Carlton bought Cosworth

with UEI, and the City ex-

Selling erases post-Budget surge added to the gloom surround ing the shares by describing profits and revenues in the first four months of the current year as "respectable". Analysts cut their estimates by £10 million to £165 million

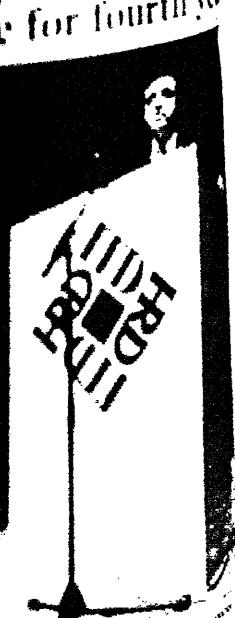
> Talk that Rank Organis ation might bid for Carlton after its recent sharp fall left its shares 20p cheaper at 778p.
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> Prodential Corp fell 5p to 201p after reporting an increase in last year's pre-tax profits from £353 million to £385 million. The figures were upset by a setback on the general insurance side and losses from its estate agency business. The collapse in the housing market also left Hambre Countrywide reporting a loss of £9.5 million, against a

> profit the previous year of £23.1 million. The shares shipped 1p to 43p. T&N, the automotive components group, fell 19p to 175p after announcing terms of a one-for-three rights issue to raise £127 million. The money will be used to finance the agreed £117 million purchase of JP Industries in the

Midsummer Leisure, the independent pubs group, jumped 7p to 138p, cheered by the news that it is in bid talks.

Michael Clark

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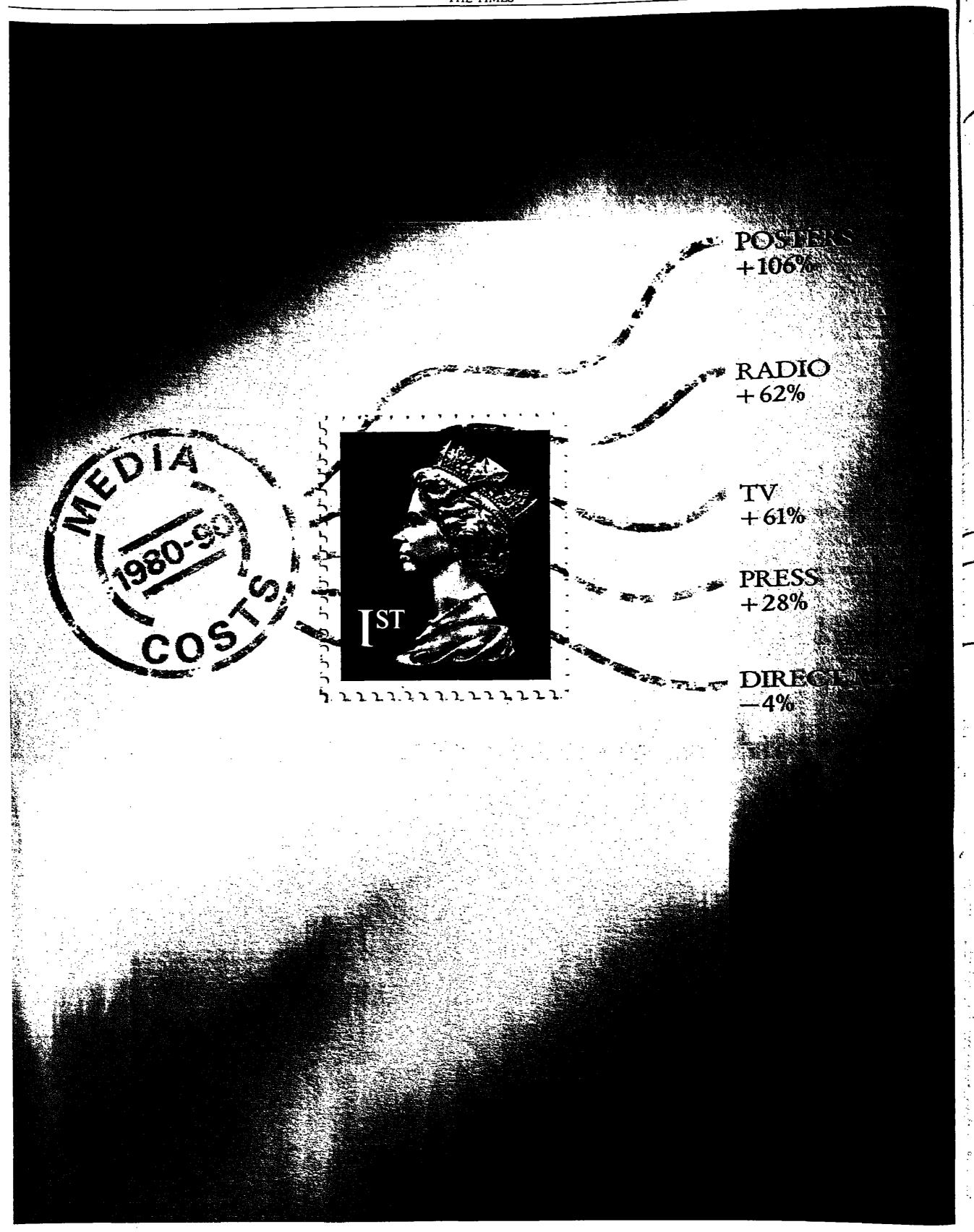
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- * Long-term new business premiums up by 32 per cent to £3.0 billion. Total revenue premiums increased by 26 per cent to £4.8 billion.
- * Long-term profits up by 79 per cent reflecting substantially bigher bonuses to policyholders and an increase in the share of the distribution to shareholder funds.
- * General business results deteriorated. Significant strengthening of general business reserves made following the catastrophic events of 1988 and 1989.
- * Continued steady progress in earnings, with an increase of 12 per cent, and dividends increased by 15 per cent.





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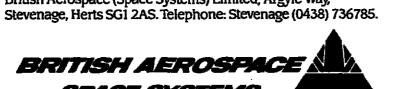
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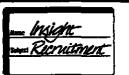
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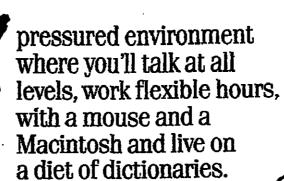
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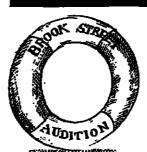
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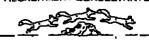
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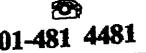
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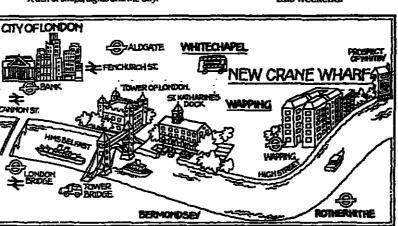
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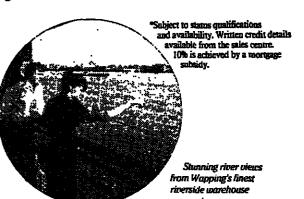
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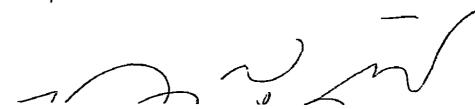
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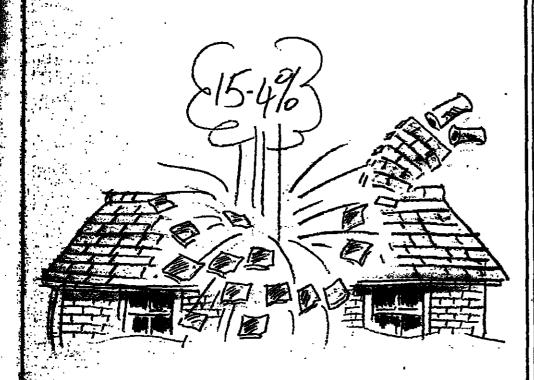
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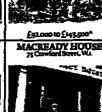
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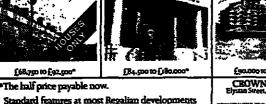
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survey of London Docklands property published this month shows evidence of a resugence in buying after months of inactivity, largely the result of price reductions and sales inducements. The survey was carried inducements. The survey was carried out by DP3, a firm of property consultants, in late January, and shows that that in the last six months, sales have hebled, compared with the first half of 1989. Sales are particularly strong in the Surrey Docks area.

DP3 reports 778 sales in the six-month period, of which a quarter took place in anuary. From the results of the survey. it concludes that Docklands is regaining its attractiveness to residential buyers, provided prices are set at affordable levels, but that discounting and favour-able inducements will need to continue for up to a year to enable prices to stabi-

While somewhat surprised at the high level of sales claimed in the survey, Stephan Miles-Brown, of Knight Frank & Rutley, agrees there are signs of recovery. A "not bad" January was followed by a "grim" February, while March is "pretty good".

He says that though the 50-50 schemes, in which the buyer pays 50 per cent of the purchase price and has five years to pay for the remaining 50 per cent, have not been an unqualified success, they have helped to pumpprime the market. He believes that outright purchase offers the better bargain because prices are down between



20 and 30 per cent on some developments. The private resale market is better than the new developments because private owners realize they cannot compete with the incentive schemes of developers unless they reduce the price drastically," he says.

Mr Miles-Brown believes the housing

market has cooled as far as it needs, and that in the absence of any help in last week's Budget, the Chancellor will have to inject some help into it in October.

The 50-50 schemes have undoubtedly created activity and sales. Fairclough Homes, with its developments at Cyclops Wharf and King & Queen Wharf, and Regalian at Free Trade Wharf and Quay 430, have been delighted with the interest stimulated by this new selling

Dominic Grace, of Savills, points to the opportunities for buyers now in a highly competitive market. He believes 50-50 schemes are becoming "slightly hackneyed" as several developers have launched them. At the New Crane Wharf riverside development, which Savills is selling, the buyer has a range of options to help the purchase: either a fixed 10 per cent mortgage over five years, or a 75-25 option, paying the final 25 per cent after five years, or paying the 25 per cent after two years at today's price. The one-bedroom flats are £175,000, two-bedroom flats £300,000.

Despite that view of the 50-50 schemes, Ian Rowberry, managing direc-tor of Rosehaugh Copartnership, is, not surprisingly, pleased with the way it has operated at his schemes. Two, not in Docklands, have sold out, and at Vogan's Mill on the south of the river east of Tower Bridge, more than half the 64 units have been sold in the last month. Vogan's Mill has six linked buildings, three of which are Grade II listed Victorian warehouses, containing two, three and four bedroom flats

Wharf (left), and St Katharine's Dock, in Wapping (right) is also selling well costing (at full price) between £260,000 and £395,000, halved under the 50-50

The firm's development at New Caledonian Wharf in the Surrey Docks has a range of accommodation from studios to penthouse maisonettes, and a swimming pool, sauna and gymnasium

More than half of the 104 flats have been sold already in the conventional way, but last week the remaining 49 were put on the market on a 50-50 basis, and seven were immediately reserved. The full prices are between £145,000 and

Mr Rowberry says that for developers, the share scheme is not as good as selling outright because it locks up some of the money, but "it has breathed some life into the market. The market is getting used to high interest rates, and I take an optimistic view of Docklands. In five years, Canary Wharf, the Underground

and the roads will be there." Wapping, closest to the City, is nearest to completion and does not suffer the difficulties that still reach the other parts of Docklands. Presidents Quay, next to St Katharine's Dock, and only a few minutes' walk from the City, has shown that the best new developments in Docklands sell even in difficult times. Since it came onto the market 15

months ago, 23 of the 34 flats and

penthouses have been sold. The Bovis Homes scheme on the riverside has mostly attracted secondhome purchasers who work in the City, and these apartments have a nautical theme. They are not only on the river but above the headquarters of HMS President, headquaters of the Royal Naval Reserve's London Division. Ranging from a studio at £99,500 to a onebedroom flat at £180,000 and a pent-house at £750,000, they are available through Savills.

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The present house, dating from the 15th century with 16th- and 17th-century additions, is built of local stone and is now a

tions, is built of local stone and is now a fine family home with four reception rooms and six bedrooms. The grounds of more than five acres include two cottages and outbuildings. Humberts' Sherborne and London offices are asking 2575,000.

If the Covent Garden area of London has few freeholds, and they are much prized. Hamptons is selling such a house in Tower Court in a pedestrian walkway between Eartham and Tower streats. The Georgian townhouse, on four floors, retains period features, and has two reception rooms, a study, and three bedrooms, with a patio garden at the back. Hamptons is seeking more than 2550,000 for this unusual more than £550,000 for this unusual

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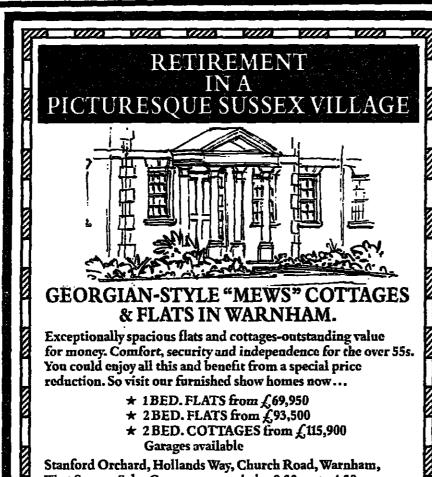
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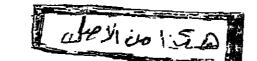
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Developers hold back

t is not only house prices, but the value of residential build-ing land which has suffered in the property market slump. As a consequence of the ending of double income-tax relief and the rise in interest rates, many developers have been unable to sell houses on their existing sites, and not surprisingly are unwilling in these circumstances to add to their "land banks".

In its property market report, the Inland Revenue Valuation Office charts the falling value of land throughout Britain. The reduced demand from developers has led to many landowners keeping their land off the market. The report says: "Unless they are forced to sell due to cash flow problems, landowners generally prefer to wait for an upturn in the housing market rather than to sell at today's depressed land values."

There have thus been few transactions in most parts of the country, and district valuers have

Building land is also suffering in the slump as investors wait for a boost to prices before using their existing sites

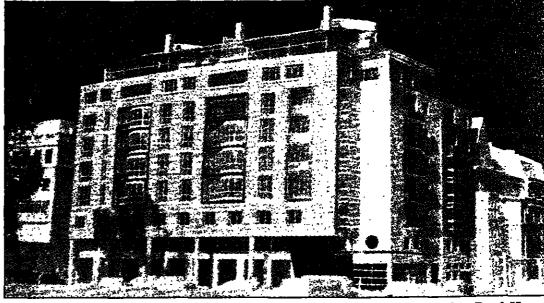
forecast that the market in residential building land is unlikely to improve in the near

In the South-East, developer demand for residential building land has fallen. Single plots are selling, but most developers have adequate land banks or partly completed developments. Developers, in many instances, are prepared to take only options on land, which they will exercise when the market improves.

Basingstoke exemplifies the changes. Land prices there, at about £1 million a hectare (about £400,000 an acre), are said to be down to pre-1988 boom levels. In many areas, despite the lack of situation maintained over the coming year, even if the slowdown is not as dramatic as elsewhere. Certainly the East Midlands,

East Anglia and London have been badly affected. In East Anglia, values are said to have fallen by as much as 40 per cent in the Norwich area and by 25 per cent in the Cambridge area. While there is still a good demand for single plot in sought-after residential areas, so long as the price is realistic, land prices are expected to continue to

If, of course, land were sold at these reduced prices, it could lead to a recovery because it would enable houses to be built at reduced prices also, but vendors are reluctant to sell unless forced. Everyone - vendors and buyers is waiting for a better market, and the first signs of that are likely to produce an immediate flurry of activity. It will need both luck and astuteness to be in the market at the right time.



MEPC plc has produced a detailed model of proposals to provide a new building to replace Brook House at 113, Park Lane, London W1. It is discussing the proposals with the freeholders, the Grosvenor Estate, and bopes that Westminster council will decide on the planning application by the summer. The present building dates from the 1936s and has been MEPC's headquarters since 1964. The firm wants to reestablish Park Lane as a residential location and provide flats of a quality not possible within the existing building. Under government regulations, Brook House must revert to residential use after temporary office permission, but office space of 11,515 sq ft in addition to 19 flats on eight floors is planned. The architects are Michael Squire Associates, and the main façade has a red-brick screen with balconies.

a tax-shelter scheme, has launched a £13 million trust to acquire Number 40, Marsh Wall in London Docklands, its third trust, which takes investments this year to about £65 million. Its two Manchester schemes are worth £52 million.

ns managers will take subscriptions until the very end of the tax year. They claim the trust has been taunched so late in the financial year in order to secure the best deal

Potential profits with little tax

for investors. The trust will give a 6.5 per cent yield after all charges, with an estimated 96 per cent of investment cost deductible from

IN THE MARKET

Rosehaugh SC Properties has launched its new office development, Caston, in Chiswell Street, London EC1, a 77,000 sq ft scheme on 12 floors in a City area

professional companies. It is Rosehaugh's first joint venture with Rosehaugh's first joint venture with Shimizu, a Japanese company. Godfrey Bradman, Rosehaugh's chairman, comments: "I am confident that it will be the first of a series of projects which we will complete successfully together." The joint agents, Gooch & Wagstaff and Dunlop Heywood, are offering the building as a whole, or by floors from 5,500 sq ft at quoting rents equating to £47 a sq ft.

demand, supply is limited because of Green Belt restrictions. The Valuation Office is watching to see

whether Christopher Patten, the

Environment Secretary, will allow

the development of any new

lease large areas of land on to the

market," the office says, "but it remains to be seen whether there

would be demand for them in today's depressed market."

Over the last year, residential development land in the North, North-West and Yorkshire and

Humberside has seen increased

values as the ripple effect of the

southern boom reached its neak.

but it is difficult to see that

"Such developments would re-

villages in the Green Belt.

THE commercial property market in the Thames Valley during 1989 has seen an "unexpected" shift towards offices and away from light industrial premises, Camp-bell Gordon, chartered surveyors, reports in its annual analysis of demand in the area.

The survey states that the sharp fall in demand for light industrial space contrasts with current opin-ion, which considers that there is a shed shortage" in the Thames Valley. "This fact, and the demand for office space, suggests that the market for offices and B1

Less demand for light industrial space

town centres may not be out of balance after ail." Demand for light industrial

space dropped from 387 to 226 companies, a fall of 42 per cent from the previous year, while demand for office space went up sharply from 199 to 431 com-

space in town centres and out-of- panies, an increase of 116 per cent. Although there was a modest increase in the total number of

companies looking for space, the amount of space required fell from a peak of 25.5 million square feet in 1988 to 21.8 million square feet last year, a fall of about 15 per cent. Ian Campbell, senior partner

of Campbell Gordon - which is based in Reading, Berkshire says the survey supported the view that the Thames Valley is moving away from "lower order" manu-facturing and distribution towards wealth-creating "higher order" business activities. It indicates that in the 1990s the Thames Valley is destined to be an élite region of high earners producing high-value, low-bulk products. The evidence has important implications for developers considering the type of space which will be in demand in the 1990s."

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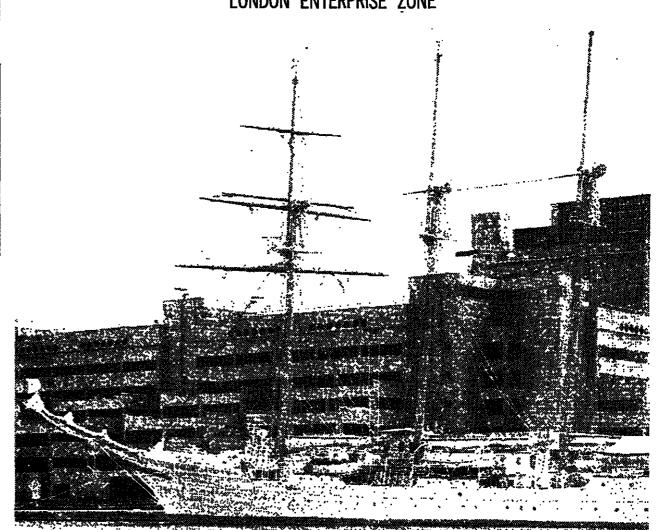
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Bumpy ride ahead after sales hit the down road

bank interest rates have been etched deep into the order books of commercial vehicle manufacturers, who are now counting the cost of the depression sweeping through in-dustry. Order books were full last year as the economy boomed, and sales roared ahead by more than 4 per cent to almost 299,000 vehicles.

Sales of light commercial vehicles depend probably more than any other sector on the investment plans of business. When the economy is buoyant, businesses renew their vehicles with enthusiasm.

But when it slows, new vehicles are among the first items of spending to be reduced drastically or axed. That has been underlined in the past few months as companies have been cutting back their search for the new vehicles that will power their businesses into the 1990s.

From a position last year in which manufacturers had "never had it so good", sales have dropped by 8 per cent so far this year. And unless the Chancellor of the Exchequer, John Major, can revive the economy or investment spending by industry, no recovery will be in sight.

Vauxhall, with its Bedford and Vauxhall car-derived van sales, warns that sales will slip throughout the year to about 10 per cent, in line with the kind of fall predicted for private cars. The company says: "There is no doubt that the lack of confidence in business is spreading into the way companies spend their money and how often they are prepared to renew their vehicles.

The Society of Motor Manufac-turers and Traders warus: "The light commercials sector is very much dependent on the way the economy goes. High bank interest rates mean that the natural buyers of light commercial vehicles, particularly small businesses and the construction industry, are not ordering so many vehicles as they were a year or more ago at the height of the boom."

Manufacturers had their best year

When the economy is strong, vans sell well. But now buyers are hesitant, Kevin Eason says, and manufacturers face tough times



Posting a winner: Cor Baan (right) of DAF hands over to Nick Nelson of Royal Mail's Parcelforce the first of more than 1,000 DAF vans

IN THE VANGUARD						
Leading makers of light commercial vehicles,	1989					
Ford						

the commercial sector were buoyant on the back of the revival in construction and retail spending in the high street, which meant the ordering of small car-derived and medium-sized vans for extra delivery

Total sales of light commercials moved to 298,900 vehicles. The medium-heavy vans sector accounted for 159,500 vehicles, light vans 119,500 and light 4 x 4 vehicles 19,800.

This year will be tougher as manufacturers face fleet buyers no longer able to spend purses fattened by big profits. At the same time, manufacturers geared up for extra on record in 1989. Sales throughout production will try to maintain their

market share, probably not by discounting but by raising their vehicles' value and performance.

One dealer says: "There is not much room for discounts. Instead, vehicles will have to perform better and last longer to satisfy companies that now have to justify to the board their spending — in detail."

Commercial vehicles powered by diesel engines were traditionally unable to perform without exchanging their ruggedness and longevity for smelly, dirty fumes. For the first time, that image may be about to change as a new generation of diesel engines offers more power, better fuel economy and less pollution than many competitor petrol engines. The direct-injection diesel, now used by most makers, improves fuel economy by as much as 15 per cent over older engines. The vibration and noise associated with the diesel engine have also been reduced.

While environmentalists call for lower fuel consumption by motor vehicles, to lessen environmental damage, manufacturers say the diesel has a great contribution to make in fuel savings. For the driver, there is also the bonus of better pulling power and acceleration.

For the operator, there is greate reliability and longer component life — two things that show in the red column of any fleet finance sheets and which eventually determine whether vehicles should be replaced and what makes chosen.

Ford, in keeping with its dominance of the car market, also leads the way in the light commercial sector, despite a difficult start to the year - Transit van production at its main Southampton plant was at a standstill for seven weeks because of strikes at the transmissions supply factory at Halewood, Merseyside. Transit sales, however, were more

than 68,600 last year — four times more than those of its nearest rival, Leyland DAF, the former Freight Rover business, which manufactures at Birmingham and sold more than 16,100 vehicles in 1989.

However, the company with great ambitions in the sector is General Motors, with its IBC subsidiary, which it owns with Isuzu of Japan, making Rascal vans, and Vauxhall, with its Astramax and Midi commercial vehicles.

Although Vauxhall torecasts a decline in the 1990 market, it expects to increase its share of the market from the 12.38 per cent of last year, which was its highest for 16 years. The company is bullish, expecting an increase from about 43,120 vehicles to 44,000 vehicles, despite a drop in the total market.

A Vauxhall official says: "There is a lot of work to do this year because of the predicted fall in sales."



Asquith's Shire: Twenties-style motoring is making money for a small UK company

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A bygone style has created a thriving modern market

t looks as if it should be a running a reproduction-furmercantile entrant for the niture business. We decided to London to Brighton rally. At face value, the elegant Asquith Shire is the epitome of the affluent 1920s when the Empire was at its height.

It is that blend of style and grace coupled with comfort, performance and reliability that is carving an export niche for the Asquith Motor Car-

riage Company. In less than a decade, its principal product, the Asquith 16-seater coach forms, can be seen ferrying German beer around the Federal Republic panies eager to cash in on the "old world" look include Coca-Cola, Akai, McDonald's

and the BBC. Its appeal, of a bygone age when times were, supposedly more civilized, is world-wide However, the Shire is truly a child of the enterprise decade. cashing in on the style genera tion, and it is earning valuable exports in the toughest of markets – Japan.

This year alone, the com rany expects to earn nearly £1 million from sales in Japan making it the Asquith's biggest market. And while the 1929 Model A Ford, on which the Shire is based, cost £165 (ex-works), its 1990 counter part - built, in the main, on a Ford Transit Chassis — will set back domestic buyers between £22,000 and £25,000. Japapay about £100,000 for the vehicles, which have to undergo two months of tests and conversions to meet their stringent pollution and speci-fication laws.

Breaking into the Japanese market had nothing to do with sentimentality, however, as Asquith's marketing director, Crispin Reed, confirms: "It has been a hard slog. We had to supply drawings for everything. But our agent, Hiroshi Okada, president of Hit Japan, in Tokyo, has done a tremendous job for us and we expect to sell 40 vehicles there

this year.
"Our first model was presented as a gift at the oper of a Japanese branch by Daks Simpson of Piccadilly. Coach versions have been used by golfers at championships and we have just sold two of the coach versions to the opera tors of a Dutch theme park in

squith Motor Carri-ages, based in Great Yeldham, a small Essex village, exports 90 per cent o production. It aims this yes to boost turnover to £2 mil employment for its skilled band of 35 laminators and bodymakers.

Whereas Asquith has see haif a dozen would-be Ul competitors go out of busines through lack of capital, a deci sion six years ago to become part of the agriculture-base Hunnable Holdings Grou has ensured financial stability It did, however, cost Mr Ree the services of his partner Bruce West, who resigned. Mr Reed, who dreamt u the idea with Mr West, say The group pumped in much needed £300,000 wort

"The idea for the Asquit came while Bruce and I were

build a Shire - 1,200 for a restore a vintage 1928 Austin 12 van and use it for local deliveries and publicity. "The old Austin was a great success in promoting the com-

pany, but it was not reliable. Soon another chassis cab, a Ford Transit, was stripped and a reproduction body, this This brings the suspension time inspired by the 1929 unit in front of the engine in Talbot and Model A Ford, was true vintage tradition. built on it." Inquiries for other repro-

Shire, in both one-ton van and duction vans took on im- Then the customized painting portance as the furniture business was hit by the 1981 recession. Craft workers who and people around oriental had been making expensive most exacting designs.

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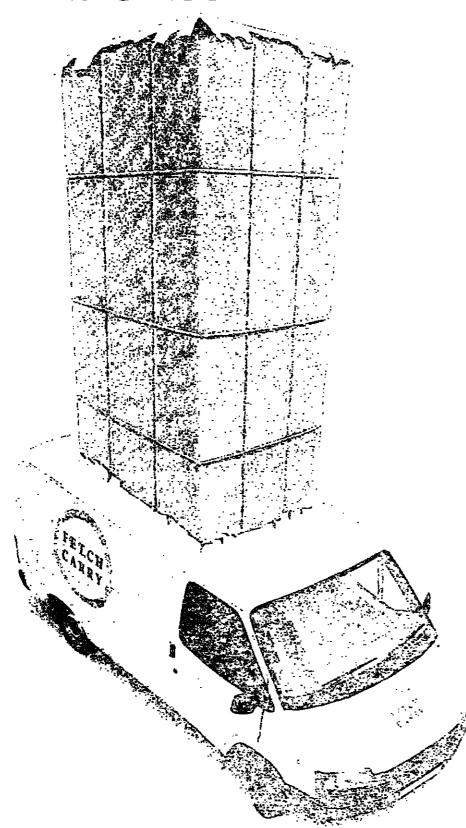
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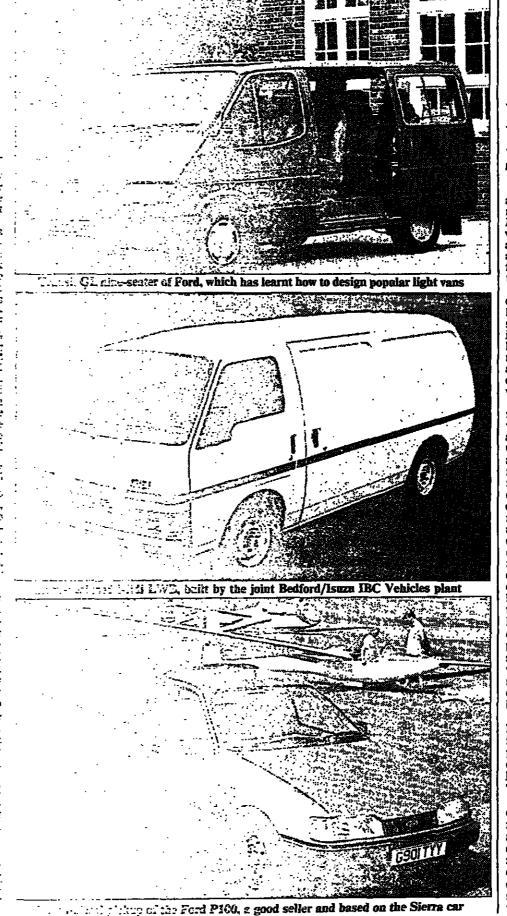
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Diesel tries for a green image

The reputation for noise and fumes is hard to shake off, but manufacturers are under pressure from legislators

new light vans were sold in Britain in 1989, they are widely used in congested cities and they cover much higher annual mileages than most family cars (Daniel Ward writes).

of all the new light vans sold in the dark exhaust smoke. Britain will be diesels. The shift from petrol-engined vans is likely to be accelerated if legislation makes it necessary to fit them with fuel injection and three-way catalysts in the exhaust systems, both of which are expensive.

vironmentalists

Compared with Health fears led a petrol engine to a dramatic fitted with the fall in sales in most sophisti-cated electronic West Germany, engine managealthough public ment system and three-way opinion has catalyst, the begun to change diesel emits less than 10 per cent

of carbon monoxide and 25 per cent of the injection diesel was modified hydrocarbons, although ni- in 1988 to meet the tough trous-oxide emissions are a 1984 US light-duty truck little higher. But a diesel emissions legislation. A simexhaust emits soot and other ple exhaust-gas-recirculation particles and causes a strong system achieved significant smell. Experiments on rats improvements. Ford's 1.8with diesel fumes have been said to show that in high concentrations the fumes can be carcinogenic. Health fears about the diesel

led to a dramatic fall in sales in West Germany, although public opinion has begun to have launched the so-called 'green'' diesels.

The volume of carbon didiesel is at least 25 per cent size vehicles. more economical than a petrol engine, so the amount of islation for diesels being made carbon dioxide it produces is more demanding is real and significantly reduced. Volks- could lead to oxidation cata-

he light van is an obvious target for environmentalists. There are a lot of them—almost 300,000 new light vans were sold in Britain in 1989, they are unicely used in congested cities. associated with greatly boost ing the performance of petrol engines. But VW uses the turbo to supply an excess of air to the engine, which ensures Soon, as many as two-thirds better combustion, reducing

> The fitting of a simple oxidation catalyst in the exhaust helps to cut particulate emissions by haif and min-imizes the diesel smell. An exhaust filter to trap the microscopic particulates is an

obvious answer, but prevent-The diesel is something of a ing the filter from clogging, mixed blessing as far as the enengineers busy. light van diesels

tain. The first petrol van fitted with a threecatalyst system. been launched in the UK. Ford's Transit 2.5-litre direct-

litre turbo diesel already has low emissions and meets the US standard, as does the Bedford Astra van 1.7-litre

The European exhaustemission legislation is in an apparently constant state of change as vehicle-makers turmoil. Previously, the authorities gave light vans a dispensation for carrying heavy loads. But this is to be oxide emitted by an engine is eliminated by April 1991 for roughly proportional to the small diesel vans and by April amount of fuel it uses. The 1994 for the heavier Transit-

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not unknown in the Fens; you don't stand a chance." heavy drinking, madness and

on and off the water. When one by one," Mant said. you're cold, wet and tired, and word, you can snap."

Dublin. He has an easy grin, a twice the weight of his cox, selves Lisa Ross-Magenty, but barely average for oarsmen, who Dan in shorts.

With a degree in geography and land economy already under his belt, he is studying for a further qualification in however, he has other things on his mind.

Like most of his crew, Mant is a talent nurtured on the banks of the Cam. He earned his spurs in the Selwyn College eight before graduating to the Goldie crew, the university B team, and then joining last year's losing Blue boat.

What does the president actually do? "When he is elected, he is given a job to do, the can for the wrong ones."

FOR most of us, the Boat Race starts at Putney Bridge gregarious Mant a lonely man. on the last Saturday in March You may have to leave out a before the collective gaze of good friend," he said. "What millions. For Paddy Mant, I've found is that I've become president of the Cambridge slightly segregated from the University Boat Club, and his rest of the crew. Because Crew it all bears in the crew. crew, it all began in October, you're making decisions in the bleak no man's land of which affect these guys every the Fens. The do-or-die 20 day, it's hard to go out with

The uniquely long and dium at the end of a marathon gruelling course along the Thames, requiring both Winter training on the Ouse endurance and sudden bursts is for certified masochists of speed, means the ideal only: the freezing rain slices oarsman has to be a combinainto you like slivers of glass tion of long-distance runner and the wind brings tears to and sprinter, with a dash of your eyes. "You need six Zen Buddhist thrown in for

Peter recommending a spell in Boat Race is getting eight purgatory.

Graham Swift, in his novel together," Mant said. "Unless moving in total people who are going to work Waterland, writes that "mel- a team is moving in total ancholia and self-murder are harmony over that distance,

There is no nonsense in the sudden acts of violence are not Cambridge camp about it not mattering whether you win or Mant said: "He left out lose. "If somebody said that to incest. We have had the odd me after losing the Boat Race, fracas among the boys - both I would remove their teeth

For him, there is only one somebody says the wrong thing worse than losing the Boat Race - and that is losing Peter Marcus Mant comes two Boat Races. His two from Co. Wicklow, south of predecessors each rowed in Dublin. He has an easy grin, a three successive Boat Races shock of russet hair and a and lost them all. Rumour has relaxed, open manner. At 22, it that they are broken men, 6ft 4in and a lean 14½st, he is shadows of their former

The Cambridge crew feel last year's result was unjust. frequently look like Desperate There is talk of a raw deal over the dramatic clashing of oars early on. Mant is critical of the Oxford-dominated rowing media for their attack on the Cambridge cox, Leigh Weiss, French. Just at the moment, the day before the race. "It was however, he has other things an effective but underhand thing to do, which totally shattered her confidence." he

> The Boat Race is more than just a sporting event. "It's Chariots of Fire with oars, Mant said. He freely acknowledges that Cambridge and Oxford are no longer the two best crews in the country, let alone the world.

"What attracts the public is and that job is to select a crew less the rowing than the to win the Boat Race," he tradition, the ritual — it's still explained. "The 40 students an amateur contest in a world who join the squad in October of professionalism," he said. must be whittled down to two He went as far as to compare crews of eight. It is the the Boat Race with the First president who ultimately has World War, with the cream of World War, with the cream of responsibility for making the British youth going off to right choices - and carrying battle, patriotic cheers ringing in their ears.



Riverbank banter: Mant (second left), the Cambridge president, discusses potential tactics with Ross-Magenty, the cox, before a training session on the River Ouse at Ely

The military analogy suggests that Oxford are still perceived as "the Hun". The age-old rivalry has been sharpened by the sense that the elemental purity of the Boat Race, the mythic encounter of Britain's ancient universities, has been polluted by Oxford's policy of actively recruiting world-class oarsmen from abroad.

The Rhodes Scholarship, enabling American students to come to Oxford, has been dubbed "the rower's scholarship". As crew member Richard Young put it: "It's become a race between admissions

Mant feels it is important that crews should remain students who happen to be oarsmen, rather than the other way around. "If you start importing crack pro oarsmen, the whole point of the contest is lost.

On paper, the men from the Fens are rank outsiders. "It suits us to be underdogs,"

Mant said. "It takes the pressure off." The mood in the Cambridge boathouse is buoyant.

But win or lose, Mant already has his ticket booked for Ireland. "Back home, they think the Boat Race is something to do with canoeing," he said. "It means nothing to people there. It helps you to forget and get on with the rest of your life."

His plans for the future are still hazy. He would like to work with racehorses, but his chances of making it as a jockey are remote. "I've flirted with the idea of

becoming a thatcher," he said, explaining that his ambition is not to graduate straight from president to prime minister but only to fix cottage roofs. You get the feeling he will

be quite happy driving buses for the rest of his life, so long as he can win the glittering prize that beckons from the shadow of Chiswick Bridge.

Cambridge make impressive progress

By Mike Rosewell

CAMBRIDGE, the Boat Race underdogs, produced an impressive row to Hammersmith Bridge in their main piece of work yesterday.
With the Oxford waterman,

Bert Green, acting as the stake boatman at the Putney start, Cambridge went off cleanly at 42 strokes a minute and were settled to 36, with good cover, after the first minute.

Both the rate and the cover dropped lower in the next two inutes, but the stroke, Adam Wright, pushed harder as they approached the Mile, which was sed in 3min 48sec with the crew rating 37. Once again, the crew settled to 34, but with better cover than

earlier. Rounding the Harrods bend, which was negotiated rather too close to the Surrey side, the momentum was lifted again, and Cambridge reached Hammersmith Bridge in 6min

There was a good tide under them and conditions were flat,

but the time was very respect-able — faster, in fact, by nine seconds than the race time in

In their respective Tuesday evening outings, Cambridge did some short rows with the London Rowing Club light-weights, generally taking half a length advantage per minute, much of this being achieved in the actual starts.

Oxford, accompanied by their reserve crew, Isis, had fourminute and two-minute con-frontations and won by 14 lengths and one length respec-

They looked particularly im-BOAT RACE CREWS

OXFORD: T G Slocock (Shrawsbury and St John's), bow; R J Obhotzer (Hempton and St Catherne's): D J Miller III (Mankus Pebbie Hill School, Syracuse University. US and University): M C Plasent (Elon and St Catherne's); "R A Hull (Mymondham, Robinson College, Cambindge and Onel; C.J Heathoote (Albraillows and Jesus); "J W C Searle (Hampion and Christ Church): "All P Gaffrey (Avon Old Farms, Connecting Management (Part Christ Church): "M P Gaffrey (Avon Old Farms, Connecting Catherne (Area Christ Church): "M P Gaffrey (Avon Old Farms, Connecting Management (Part Christ Church): "M P Gaffrey (Avon Old Farms, Connecting Management (Part Christ Church): "M P Gaffrey (Avon Old Farms, Connecting Management (Part Christian (Part Christ Church): "M P Gaffrey (Avon Old Farms, Connecting Management (Part Christian (Part Church)) |

available it may be called at any level of the game.

The first tour to Romania by

English clubs since the revolu-tion will be undertaken next

month by Thames Polytechnic

and Atherstone, from Warwick-shire, both of whom depart on April 14. The polytechnic's party will be 30 strong for games

against lasi Polytechnic, the University of Bucharest and a

club XV. Arrangements have been made for one of the

Romanian sides to visit England

next season to play Thames and possibly XVs from Old Learningtonians and Blackheath.

Somerset are due to send

tour party for two matches in

Constanta between May 26 and June 2 while the British Police.

who play the Romanian national side on May 12, have indicated that their party will include the England international forwards, Ackford,

Dooley and Richards, and the

piece, when they spurted and still kept great control and Rather like their Cambridge

counterparts, the Oxford crew took most of their advantage over Isis early on in the races. and then tended to "stick" a The sheer strength of Oxford,

the heaviest Boat Race crew, was awesome on Wednesday. starts and a minute under the guidance of Mike Spracklen, who was asking them to "go for

power, not rate".

The power was duly there but

the rate was hardly "slugger", at 43, after a lower first five

Since taking over, Sprackles has been trying to increase Oxford's reach at the beginning and both their Tuesday and Wednesday outings improvement. Television viewers could gria new perspective of the Boat

Race this year. Negotiations are

apparently, taking place to in

and arrange for a mini-camera crews agree. TODAY'S OUTHIGS: Oxford: 18mn au 4 30pm, with Thames Tradesmen Cap-bridge: 7 30am and 2pm.

Soutter leads field LUCY Soutter, the British champion, heads the field for the first Lanzarote Women's Squash Classic, at Club La Santa on March 31 to April 1. Her toughest opposition will come from Michelle Martin, of Australia, the world under-13 champion.

SPORT IN SCHOOL

be a springboard

Edward Grayson, the barrister community.

Section 53 of the 1944 Act. Law, argues that the law can he used to save sport in school.

THE law fills gaps which sport can and never will reach, often to the dismay of apathetic administrators and their apologists. Classic examples are compensatory damages and criminal convictions for illegal foul play, or High Court rever-sals of unlawful tribunal

decisions. Yet unknown to the great sporting public, the Law can also tackle constructively, through R. A. Butler's great war-time Education Act of 1944, the fears fuelled cumulatively in these pages for British school sports future, from such diverse, sincere and political sources as Sir Rhodes Boyson (February 14), Dr Don Anthony (February 23), the Rt Hon Denis Howell (February 24) and Emlyn Jones, MBE (March 14). Many sections of that historic

statute have survived rocklike amid the swirling torrents of legislative and ministerial directives, which have surfaced in the near half-century since its ament, as a high priority for post-war Britain.

Indeed, the opening Section 1 (2) (a) of the Education Rem Act of 1988 restates, for the purpose of satisfying "a balanced and broadly based curriculum", a formula lifted verbatim from Section 7 of its 1944 predecessor. That earlier provision specified, with my own emphasis on the preserved

"... the duty of the local education authority for every area, so far as their powers extend, to contribute towards the spiritual, moral, mental and physical development of the

Furthermore, Section 3 (2) (a) of the 1988 Act identi-Section fies "physical education" alongside "history, geography, technology, music, art" as "the other foundation subjects" after specifying, in Section 3 (1), "the core subjects" of "mathematics, English and science" and Welsh Welsh-speaking schools in

Thus, physical education, understandably a key factor in a war-time battle for national survival, has been emphatically retained from 1944 for its 1988 successor. It is that earlier Act on which all who are now genuinely concerned for the future of British school sport should concentrate and exploit until the myopia, of the mandarins of local and central government, is replaced by pos-itive responses to allay the

apprehensions justifiably voiced here and elsewhere. A combination of three interlocking sections, for this purpose, contains the key to be preserved for "the spiritual, opening the eyes and minds of moral, mental and physical" all who should be affected by needs of the community.

under the heading of "Pro-visions of facilities for recreation and social and physical train-ing", spells out (again with my (1)"...the duty of every local

authority to secure that the

facilities for primary and secondary and further education for their area include adequate facilities for recreation and so-cial and physical training" followed by detailed categories of specific facilities, and also: (2) "shall, in particular, have regard to the expediency of co-operating with any voluntary societies or bodies whose objects include the provision of facil-

ities or the organisation of activities of a similar character." More directly, Section 76 provides with the heading: "Pupils to be educated in accordance

with the wishes of their parents' "In the exercise and performance of all powers and duties conferred and imposed on them by this Act, the Secretary of State for Education and Science and local education authorities shall have regard to the general principle that, so far as is compatible with the provision of efficient instruction and training and the avoidance of unreasonable expenditure, pu-pils are to be educated in accordance with the wishes of

their parents." On the rare occasions when the courts have been asked to apply this section, they have restricted its scope when dealing, to date, always with nonrecreational and particularly religious and limited individual personal parental attempts to invoke its terms in vain.

Nevertheless, when collective parental use of the Act has been used, the judges have encouraged attention to Section 99. This creates a complaints procedure for the Secretary of State to overrule local authorities, and give directions to activate their duties under the

The Popplewell and Taylor Reports, with their associated legislation, demonstrate how clear legal minds are needed to rescue sport from its self-made These powerful provisions in

the legal armoury for protecting school sport have never been considered in this particular area, where no one so far has fashioned a realistic weapor with which to challenge local authorities or central government for abdicating their national responsibilities here.

The Education Act of 1944 could be the springboard for all who are genuinely concerned with what now appears to be a survival battle, if school sport outside the private sector is to be preserved for "the spiritual,

RUGBY UNION

Act of 1944 could Rethink on South African tour matches. If video evidence is

By David Hands Rugby Correspondent

DESPITE expressions of support from various parts of the world, the proposed inter-national tour to South Africa this summer, agreed by the international Rugby Football Board (IRFB) at its interim meeting last November, has been put on hold in response to political developments in the republic this year.

Roger Gardner, the general manager of Natal, whose cen-tenary is partly the reason for the tour, said: "There are a lot of changes taking place which could be to to our advantage in the long run. We have had talks with people all over the world with people all over the world, and the impression we get is very good. There seems to be very strong support for the Natal centenary, and we are going hell for leather at this end

But we could have a very big breakthrough any minute, and we don't want to be the bull in

A change

of role

for Rouse

THE Scotland B centre, Paul

Rouse, will play on the wing for Scottish Students in this after-

noon's match against the Scot-land Under-21 team at

Murrayfield and will be directly, opposed by the London Scot, Crawford Henderson (Alan

SCOTLAND UNDER-21: C Redpath (Me)

After their assorted fortunes

last weekend, when they were beaten 35-22 at Blackheath and then defeated West Park 64-4 in

the first round of the county

the china shop and harm any-thing." Gardner would not concede that the tour, which also celebrates 75 years of the Newlands Stadium in Cape Town, might be called off, but he added: "We want to have a situation where we can, in full view of the sporting constituency, offer our supporters something."
The first important event of

Natal's season will be on April 28 at their King's Park Stadium, where three Currie Cup matches will be played in succession. However, Gardner admits that there is a busy touring pro-gramme this summer which could limit the availability of players, while the South African Rugby Union (SARU), with whom the South African Rugby Board (SARB) is seeking a nonpolitical amalgamation, has called for a moratorium on tours

until amalgamation is complete. South Africa did not arise as an issue at the IRFB annual

The round-robin letter from

World Cup.

The IRFB has amended law

to that relating to foul play -

meeting in London last week, though Fritz Eloff, one of the Cummins to keep his place for Gloucester

By David Hands

ton club.

GLOUCESTER, leaders of the first division and Pilkington Cup finalists, will field the XV which ended the cup semi-final against Northampton last Sat-urday when they entertain Orrell in the league this

Therefore, Cummins retains his place in the centre because Caskie is still suffering from a hamstring injury. Gloucester hope that a rest will enable Caskie to recover in time to press for a place in the cup final, but club officials are worried that the injury might take longer to heal.

SCOTLAND UNDER-21: C Redpath (Mel-rose): C Henderson (London Scottish), A Dougles (Jed-Forest). G Shiel (Melrose), D Stecree (Cembridge University): Bit Walker (Boroughsnuir), F Stott (West of Scottand): J Couper (Glasgow High/Kelvinside), S Brotherstone (Mel-rose), A Griffiths (Army), D Jeckson (Hillhead/Jordannia), G Weir (Melrose), S Reld (Boroughsnuir), C Hogg (Melrose, cspt), C Brown (Jed-Forest). Harlequins and Nottingham, who meet at the Stoop Me-SCOTTISH STUDENTS: 8 McGaughay (South Glemorgan Instituta); K Squirea (Edinburgh University), R Adean (Edinburgh University), R Shaphard (Morsy House College), P Rouse (Sheffield Polytechnic); C Stammers (Edinburgh University), G Sammers (Edinburgh University), G Peterson (Edesgow University), G Peterson (Edinburgh University), G Peterson (Edinburgh University), P Meautizaen (Robert Gordons Institute), D Wood (Oxford University), C Brewn (Glasgow University), S Adlate (Naoler Poly), S Lancaster (Ledes Polytechnic). morial ground, are both affected by the Hong Kong sevens: the London club have four players - Carling, Winterbottom, Skinner and Sheasby — away with the Barbarians, while Notting-ham lose Moore, their hooker. In addition, Hodgkinson, the England full back, is on holiday, so Nottingham play Kilford, with Taylor, the England Stu-

ORRELL, the holders, have championship final on the same

been drawn against Liverpool St day, to which Orrell contribute

Schools at Kavenhill on April 6
RELAND SCHOOLS: R Genvey (De la
Selle, Churchtown; D O'Dowd (Rockwell
College), R Humer (Methodist College,
Betlast), B Cotter (St Mary's College), G
Colline, Retmodist College Betlast); D
Hemphreya (Ballymena Academy, capt), F
Downae (Crescent College Comprehenswe); P Penter (Royal Beflast Academical
Institution), I Blake (Teranus College), P
Welless (Crescent College, Roccrae), R Wilson
(Royal Beflast Academical Institue), F
Beller (Blackrock College), A Deyermond
(Methodist College, Beflast). Orrell handed a difficult cup draw

bours, 12-3 to reach the final of

the Cheshire Cup. Park, the 1988 winners, will play Lymm, the holders, at Wilmslow on Helens in the second round of two-thirds of the Lancashire the Girobank Lancashire Cup team which will play on April 10 (David Hands Middlessex at Twickenham. The final of the Cumbria Cup, a day earlier at Carlisle, will be between Aspatria, almost Wigan, winners of the Lancashire Trophy, are drawn at home to Blackburn in the county cup, which ends with the invariably the holders over the

cup. Orrell will have two diffi-cult matches within four days, since they are due to play Fyide The finalists in the northwest's other two county com-petitions have already been decided: 1,500 people watched That match, however, may be Winnington Park beat Mid-compromised by the county Cheshire College, their neigh-

final on May 6.

SARB's two representatives. who chaired the meeting, said: "I think we are making good progress. Very important changes are taking place in South Africa, and we are very hopeful that we will soon be back on the world stage.

Danie Craven, the SARB president, to presidents of the senior countries who make up the IRFB, was not discussed during the annual meeting. In it Craven appealed to the world's leading countries to resume reciprocal touring arrangements, making a particular call to New Zealand in their role as holders of the

to make it clear that video evidence will be permitted at disciplinary hearings. The law will permit tribunals to "seek any other evidence it deems appropriate" apart from the reports of referees and touch judges; nor is the directive to apply only to international

dents hooker, retaining his place

in the front row.

It will be Curtis's last home game for Harlequins; the tight-

head prop, who played for England B against Italy last year,

is moving to Wales in the summer and is seeking a Welsh

club. Another Harlequins for-

ward, Edwards, who is recover-ing from an ankle injury, is to spend the stummer in New Zealand, playing for a Welling-

• David Humphreys the

Ballymena Academy outside half will captain the Irish Schools against the Weish Schools at Ravenhill on April 6

Two chips off famous old blocks

By David Hands

THE 18-group schools international between England and Wales at Hartlepool Rovers on Saturday will place in direct opposition the sons of famous David, the former Bristol and England back-row forward, plays at No. 8 for England against Scott Quinnell, whose father, Derek, played for Lianelli. Wales and the British

Though they played against each other many times for their respective clubs, David Rollitt and Derek Quinnell did not meet in a senior international. Rollitt is a master at St Paul's. where his son is a pupil, while the young Quinnell, who played in Wales's 15-0 victory over Scotland in January, attends the Graig School, Llanelli.

The Welsh selectors have moved Philip Wintle from the centre to wing, and have brought in Matthew Wintle, his cousin, at centre. Armstrong, from St Cyre's, Penarth, comes in at full back and Glover from the outstanding Neath College team, comes in at second row for the injured Harvey.

WELSH SCHOOLS: P Artestrong (St Cyre's): P Whate (Cynfig), M Wiste (Cynfig), A Pastray (St Cyre's), J Lewis (Landovery College); D Margan (Neath College), H Harmes (Yago) (Santal); S Price (Tonyretsil), J Evens (Neath Coll-ege, captain), R Thomas (Armen Valley), D Cooper (Nentyglo), M Glover (Neath Collega), C Langley (St Cyre's), D Morgan (Bisnop Gore), S Quinnell (Graig). last decade and winners at the weekend over Cockermouth,

GIROBANK LANCASHIRE CUP; second round: Wigan v Blackburn; Preston Grass-hoppers v Widnes; Waterloo v Broughton Paris; Liverpool St Helens v Odyal.

Closer integration move for shooters

By Jane Wyatt

SPORT FOR THE DISABLED

IN A move towards closer integration for shooters, the British Sports Association for the Disabled (BSAD) national airgan championship is being held in tandem with the National Small-bore Rifle Associ-ation British open championship at Cheadle Hulme, near Manchester, this weekend. It will be the first time that the two events will have been held at the same time and venue.

Geoff Doc, the NSRA development officer, says the move is a logical extension of the junior, veteran and women's events which have always used the same firing point. However, he claims it will not prevent disabled shooters who have competed in the "able-bodied" event previously, from contin-

uing to do so, providing they

conform A case in point is the British women's open airgun champion. Deanna Coates, who will be defending the title she won in Cardiff last October. She has spina bifida, so shoots from a chair, which is allowable under national rules. They require that the backrest is lower than the user's shoulders, that the chart does not have sides, and that the

feet are positioned on rests.

The BSAD competitors will be shooting in three different groups according to their func-tional ability. Group three shooters, such as Coates, can take part in both the associations' events. Those in groups one or two, who require the use of an aid or support for shooting, will take part in the BSAD closed events on Saturday and

TODAY'S FIXTURES PONTINS LEAGUE: First division: Stack-burn v Hull (7 0). Huddersheid v Noterg-hem. Second division: Port Vele v Sohe (7 0): Presson v Southorpe (7.0): Wolves-hempton v Botton (7 0). Ovenden PAPERS COMBINATION: Brigton v Southambton (7 15): Oxford v Mithwell. Reading v Swindon (2.0). CAWOODS COUNTY ANTRIM SHELD: Bangor v Linket; Larne v Glensoren.

FOOTBALL International matches

Barclays League Second division Oldham v Sheff Utd. Fourth division Exeter v Scunthorpe Hereford v Burnley...

7.30 unless stated

Leyland Daf Cup Southern final, first leg Bristol R v Notts Co (8.0)... **GM Vauxhall Conference**

inham v Sutton Utd HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division: Hyde v Shepshed; South Liverpool v Southport. BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Pro

OTHER SPORT

RUGBY LEAGUE

SLALOM LAGER ALLIANCE: HUSSER Y Carlesia (8 0); St. Hatens y Hull KR. BRITISH COAL YOUTH LEAGUE: OLGHER Y St. Hatens

OTHER SPORT

BASKETRALL: International matrix England v Egypt (Worthing Leaure Central-Cartsberg League, Brackmel v Lecester, Kingston v Derby, Bowles, Ely Masters, BOXING: British and Constronwesth light-weiterweight bout: Pat Barnet! v Victor Beicher (Manchester), British crusenweight bout: Johnny Neisen v Lou Gent (York Hell, Beithny Neisen v Lou MOTORCYCLING: Speedway Challengs Long Eaton v Persistorough, Cream Individual (Wimbledon), SNOOKER: Berson and Meanure Itiel). NOOCER: Benson and Heages hish Mesters (County Kildare)

SPORT ON TV

BASKETBALL: Screensport 7-8-30am and 12-1.38pm: American Leegue, and college statch: highlights of the ACC chastplonehipe: Eurosport 10-11.30am, 4-8pm and 10pm-indinght: College metch, highlights from the European Cup final, BILLIARDS: Eurosport 12-1am (tomorrow): European Cup: Highlights of the Stree-cushon finel from Sweden, BOXING: Screensport 6-7.30 and 9.30-11.30pm: Prefessional event from the United States, and British-Commonwealth Sight watermeight chastplon-wealth Sight watermeight chastplon-shipe: Livé Coverage from Mancheter: Eurosport 10pm-indinght: World chastplonable event: Coggi v Ramraz.

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Sem: POOTBALL: Screensport 4.15-Spm: reamational highlights. QOLF Screensport 7.30-9.36pm: Linked Season Police: Horights of the Neese testantional from Fords. ICE HOCKEY: Screensport TQam-midday:

from around the world.

MIDNEEK SPORTS SPECIAL: ITV
10.40pm-12.30am: Boxlog: Feather-weight host: Paul Hodikrason (GS) y Sawt-Manchester: Feethelt: International Manchester: Feethelt: International Value from Dickin, and Seetheld: Argentine from Hampden Park.

MOTOR SPORT: Earneport 1-2pm: Formula One: Highlights of the Bradies
General Prix from Sao Paulo.

POWERSPORTS. INTERNATIONAL: POWERSPORTS INTERNATIONAL RUGBY LEAGUE: Son 10am: Highlights of Feeth

v Wigen.

SPORTSNIGHT: 88C1 10.20pm 12.20mil
Footbelt International march: Happing of England v Brazil from Westown Cricket West Indian v England: Third day grist Thirdsd: Snooter: Happings of the qualifying stages of the 1990 Warlf Champings stages of the 1990 Warlf Champingstan. TEMPIN BOWLING: Schenepart 3: 4.15pm: Highlights from Buckeye Land INTERNATIONAL MOTOR SPORT: Eurosport 8-10sm: Mosor sport news

Gods Solution looks standing dish

WITH Alex Greaves claiming her 5ib allowance on Gods
Solution (3.15), the nine old is napped to win the race named after him at Catterick Bridge today.

In recent years the David Barron-trained sprinter has become something of a standing dish on the sharp North Yorkshire track, winning six times over today's distance and once over seven furlongs.

For the past five years he has, in fact, won the corresponding race each time on his casonal debut. Because of that remarkable record Peter Jones, his owner, decided to sponsor the race this season.

By Mandarin

3.45 Timeless Appeal. 4,15 Suluk.

3.15 GODS SOLUTION (map).

2.15 Godscharm

4.45 Hot Rumour. 5:15 Cool Enough.

Going: firm

This winter, his young rider has gained a wealth of experience on the equally share allweather tracks at Southwell

and Lingfield. So she should be quick to seize the advantage of their low draw and make all the running next to the rails on a horse who loves to bowl along On the corresponding occa-

sion last year Gods Solution beat The Devil's Music, who had already won at Newcastle, and So Careful by half a length and one length. On 31b better terms So

Careful, who has won an Ayr gold cup in his time, has a theoretical chance of gaining his revenge. But it will be a bold person who opposes Gods Solution as he has

NEKERADEK

By Our Newmarket

2.45 Anglointernational.

45 Timeless Appeal.

Draw: 5f-7f, low numbers best

4.45 NIGHT-SHIRT (nap)

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C Hedgeen (7), G Duffield

Selections

By Michael Seely 3.15 GODS SOLUTION (nap). 4.15 Suluk, 5.15 Cool Enough.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 5.15 HONEY BOY SIMBA.

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FORM FOCUS NORTHERN CONQUEROR (Fooled 17
Apr) over 8,800gns yearling; half-broater to Currains,
a 77 witner at two, data winner over 51.
CODEC/MARI (8 Mar) half-blear to seven winners,
including August, winner over 1m 21 at three and
placed in Listed company; always prominent 23 and
to South Crofty on recoourse disbut at Doncaster

86. 8mm). H Essignty 10 rain
Dominic; half-sizer to Buses Indigo, 51-61 winner
dam (unrenile 51 winner in Iroland, Place) Pond (11
Mar) by Petong; full-sizer to 8 winning placed over 51 as unrenile. WARPY (II
WARP VALLEY (1 Apr) Syndhurst Prince; half
sister to Watendlath, 1m claimer winner.

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1 Selection: MISS PROCCHIO

BETTING: \$-1 Gode Schulon, 4-1 Yukosan, 5-1 Master Offine House, 6-1 Craixafu, 7-1 Captain's Bidd, Sc

1989: 9006 SOLUTION 8-5-6 D Nicholie (10-17 fav) T Barron 9 ran

Selections

3.15 GODS SOLUTION HANDICAP (£2,406: 6f) (12 runners)

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2.15 EBF ORAN MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,322: 5f) (6 runners)

2.45 FORCETT PARK SELLING STAKES (£2,742: 7f) (20 runners)

MORTHERN CONQUEROR (T Chiang) J Berry 9-0 GOSSCHARM 4 (M Britskin) M Britskin 5-9 MDIGO (D Brosherion) R Whitaker 5-9 PMS PONG (J Johnson) T Fairmers 8-9

WEAR VALLEY (Miss H Corridan) Danvs Smith 8-9.

habitually shown himself to be Godscharm is liable to be too attempt over fences since better first time out than at this time. any other stage of the season.

Cool Enough, who won the Springtime Handicap 12 months ago, is also taken to give a repeat performance now that his trainer Lynda Ramsden has a perfect line on the top weight Aldahe, who was beaten only a head and a neck at Doncaster last Friday by Ramsden's Daring Times.

Like Gods Solution. dscharm, my selection for the EBF Oran Maiden Stakes, is by the Irish sprinter Godswalk, who won the King's Stand stakes at Royal Ascot in 1977:

behind South Crofty and Beyond Our Reach at Doncaster last Saturday behind her,

sharp for her five opponents

Having finished second to the useful Adding over a mile and a quarter at Redcar as a two-year-old, Hot Rumour should have sufficient stamina with which to cope with the longer distance of the Whorlton Maiden Stakes, and he is preferred to the Newmarket challenger Night-Shirt whose form is not as good.

Over the jumps at Worces-

ter, I will be looking to Richard Dunwoody to land a double for David Nicholson on Banbridge (2.30) and Random Romance (3.0). Both have won on the

course this season. Banbridge won first time out there, and Random Romance at her first

3.45 TOYTOP STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,660: 5f) (6 numers)

EN DANCER (22 Mar) first foel out of a French

FORM FOCUS SULUK has been in the alf-weather winning seven times; latest finished 1½ 2nd to Tellian at Southwell (1/m 4/). BEAN MASH beet Sik Thread by 2½ at Newcastle (1/m 4/ BOyd, good) first time Out and clearly goes wall fresh. Made some tale headway when 8th to Royal Borough over the same course and distance on line! Select

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5.15 SPRINGTIME HANDICAP (£2.616: 7f) (11 tunners)

TRAINERS

1 (10) 368-213 ALDANE 5 (D.F) (W Burns) T Child 5-9-1.
2 (1) 0,00002- BIG CHIEF 21J (Miss L Siddell) Miss L Siddell 5-9-2.
3 (11) 503140- NAME'S A DOUBLE 140 (C.F) (R Hollinshead) R Hollin 4 (3) 0,8000-6 ELOFAHABIT 20 (F) (D Brenton) L Bernat 4-8-13....

4.15 YARM HANDICAP (£2,343: 1m 5f 180yd) (6 runners)

(5) 08-1332 SULUK 20 (F) (A White) R Hollinsheed 5-10-0 (B) 280000- BEAU MASH 46J (F, 0) (Mrs R Coleman) A Stringer 8-9-7...
(5) 250405- CHANGE GUAND 36J (E Stenton) Roy Robinson 4-9-6...
(1) 06513-2 JOE RUMPAS 11J (BE) (W Spring) T Bernon 4-8-7...
(2) 050000/ GRAND IBLAND 528 (Mrs P Woymes) E Waymes 5-8-5...
(4) 45430-6 FERTY SUN 13J (V) (J Martin) G Ottroyd 5-8-2...

4.45 WHORLTON MAIDEN STAKES (£2,238: 1m 4f 40yd) (5 runners)

4486)- AS D'EBOLI 136 (N Jackson) Jimmy Fitzgeraid 9-0-06000- DEERNEES LAD 196 (J Lumaden) D Topley 9-0-0602- HOT RUBOUR 136 (G GB) S Norino 9-0-0023- NIGHT-6HRT 130 (G local) M Prescot; 8-0-

Guide to our in-line racecard

Christian Lad, 5-2 Timeless Appeal, 4-1 Minizen Dancer, 13-2 Cheisea Morring, 10-1

1989: CROFT IMPERIAL 8-11 J Carroll (4-5 tav) J Burry 6 ran

FORM FOCUS CHELSEA MORNI'm winner at 3 years. NORTHER MOST (12 Feb) Stret
foel out of a jurishie 71 winner; lost all charce when
behind on resecurse debut in Doncaster saler (51,
firm) when finishing 18 last of four to Pod's Daughter.
CHRISTIAN LAD (foeled 21 May) cost 5,200gras by
Belfort; half-brother to By Chance, a St winner at 2
Alzac, half-elster to 5 winners, including Davi's Diles,
a winner over 1m 45.

SETTING: 5-4 Suluk, 5-2 Joe Bumpas, 5-1 Flery Sun, 15-2 Beau Nash, 9-1 Change Guard, 12-1 Grand 1989: EUROCON 5-8-13 D Nicholle (S-4 fev) T Berron 11 res

BETTING: 8-4 Hot Rumour, 15-8 Night-Shirt, 3-1 As d'Eboli, 18-1 May Queen, 25-1 Deermess Lad.

FORM FOCUS AS D'EBOLL best effort last season and should be well sulted by this trip, 160kHT SHRTT when a staying on 7% 6km to Daromeon in an above-average maiden at Edinburgh (1m). DEERNESS LAD well-besten 15th of 17 in a Severiey (1m 100yd, firm)

MAY CUEEN last of 11 in an Edinburgh (1m, good)

FORM FOCUS ALDAHE, whener of a sum over this trip on fast ground and is well hand-cap on penultimate start, was besten only a head anack into 3rd by Daring Times at Doncaster (Im, firm) on Friday, SIG CHEF nack 2nd to My Topic in an Ayr (8f. heavy) seller.

18918'S A DOUBLE has claims here if reproducing his head victory over Rustriana in a Chepstow (Im, good to firm) seller under top-weight last term.

COOL ENOUGH, winner of his first three starts last

Course specialists

1989: GENERAL PERSHING 9-0 G Duffield (5-1) D Morley 10 ran

6-6432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,SF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Hobinson) B Hell 9-10-0

4 CHELSEA MORNING & (B) (Mrs D Benjamin) N Byor CHRISTIAN LAD (R Robinson (Wigsh) J Berry 8-11... SMICZEN DANCER (Minison Lut) M Britain 8-11... NORTH-ERN HOSE & (Mas 2 Balany) R Saubbs 8-11... SPRIECHILLER (E Buck) T Berron B-11.

when she has been second

Although the distance of the Bet With The Tote Novices' Chase represents a new challenge for Random Romance, the way that she kent on behind the smart Radical Lady at Haydock earlier this month suggested that she would be up to it.

Operatic Score (3.30) and Karnatak (4.30) who were both beaten in photo-finishes last time, are now taken to go one better in the Grandstand Handicap Hurdle and the Stourport Handicap Chase

Blinkered first time

...... S Perice 96 M Hindley 9 99 M Birch 92

... K Fallog J Lowe D Nicholis (G Duffiels)

State: CHANGE GUARD over 18t 5th of 6 to Nangerar at Redgar (1m 2f, firm). JOE BUNDAS could make no impression on Timeolo at Southwell (1m 6t, AW) going down by 12. FRSM SUM, witner over hurdes, ficiened 19% 5th to Grey Gypsy at Southwell (1m



parade with his trainer John Parkes as the Sinnington foxhounds gathered last week at Douthwaite Dale in North Yorkshire for their final meet of the season

belies years for treble

By Paul Wheeler

ROYAL Artillery day become veterans' day at Sandown Park yesterday when the 17-year-old De Pluvinel won the Royal Artillery Gold Cup for a third

De Phivinel was running in this race for the eighth time in nine years. And, apart from his victories, he has also finished second three times.

The fast early pace soon had the field spread out. De Pluvinel took the lead after Right Card fell eight fences from home. He was immediately joined by the favourite, Roscoe Harvey. They raced stride for stride until De Pluvinel, ridden by Jonathan Trice-Rolph, gained the advan-tage after jumping the Pond fence and ran on up the hill to win by three lengths.

Permit-holder Guy Prest, who himself rode the bay to win this race in 1983, said: "He is a great old horse, and as game as anything. We retired him four years ago, but he was so miserable we kept going. However, he may not no season."

The day started with a customary sight in National Hunt racing — a Pipe-Scudamore

The Leggett, sent off the 6-5 favourite, disputed the lead down the back straight with Pan Arctic but what seemed set for a battle royal was abruptly halted when Pan Arctic fell at the fifth last. This left Scudamore with a commanding advantage which he extended to a 15-length win. The seven-year-old, beaten once only this season, will form part of Pipe's Aintree team. "He will go for the John Hughes Memorial Chase," Pipe

Pipe has eight horses still declared for the Seagram Grand National. "Nothing is guar-anteed at the moment," he said, "but it looks like Bonanza Boy, Star's Delight and Torside. Peter Scudamore will ride Bonanza Boy and Jonothan Lower will ride one of the others. Anything

There is a question mark Machiave against his 1988 Hennessy Gold favourite. Cup winner Strands Of Gold, who has been off the track for 15 months. Pipe said: "He has had a leg problem. I will run him if I think he is fit enough to do himself justice."

success of yet another remark-able season with the Charlie Brooks-trained All Jeff, who set Aerospace Rapier Novices' wager with Victor Chandler yesterday. The nine-year-old is now a 20-1 shot (from 33-1). Yesterday's results

Leicester

13.5 (1m) 1, LONDON PRIDE (T Cuim, 4-1): 2, Casamurmae (G Carrer, Evens fav): 3, Ge Holtmarine (G Busser, 25-1), ALSO RAN: 3 Debach Dussy (4th), 25 Hanari Vision (5th), Megia (6th), 6 ran. 1 hl, 2 hl, 3, nk, 10; P Cole at Whatcombe. Tota: 53.70; 52.20, £1.50. DP: £2.80. CSF: £7.70.

De Pluvinel Desert Orchid has **National option**

From Our Irish Racing Correspondent, Dublin

THE Jameson Irish Grand Nat-ional at Fairyhouse on Easter Monday is a "live possibility" for Desert Orchid, trainer David

Elsworth said yesterday.

Desert Orchid has been allotted 12 stone for the 3½-mile chase, 10lb clear of the accident-prone Carvill's Hill. "It boils down to a choice between the Irish National and the Whit-bread Gold Cup," Elsworth added, "although I haven't spo-

ken to the owners yet. "But I don't think 12 stone is too severe and it won't be the deciding factor. The ground, though, is very important. We don't want it firm, but if it came up good there is a real possibility

we will travel over.
The advantage of the Irish race is that it comes first, and if everything came right around that time it may be better to go there than wait for Sandown, re conditions may turn against us.

"Also, it would be good to take the horse to ireland," Elsworth went on. "The crowds

haven't had too many chances to see him." The British also provide the

bottom rated of the 53 entries with The Thirsty Farmer on seven stone. However, no runner will carry less than 10 stone, and only eight of the prospective rivals for Desert Orchid are in

Four of those, Bonanza Boy (10st 13lb), The Thinker (10st 8lb), Yahoo (10st 6lb) and Strands Of Gold (10st 1lb), are trained in Britain, with Carvill's Hill (11st 4lb) backed by three other local hopes, Feroda (10st 3lb), Have A Barney (10st 2lb) and Hungary Hur (10st 2lb). The race carries a guaranteed prize fund of Irf 100,000. Bonanza Boy, having already won

the Weish National this season, is in line for an Ir£50,000 bonus should be complete the double for Martin Pipe. Similar bonuses will be on offer if the Irish Grand National winner is also successful in either the Seagram Grand National or the Scottish National

One of the major fancies for the race, regardless of Desert Orchid's participation, will be Bold Flyer, who has been spe-cially trained for the race by Jim Dreaper. The runaway winner of the Digital Galway Plate last summer looks favourably trea-

Spanish nope

SPAIN'S champion amateur jockey Jose Simo is all set to chase Grand National glory. The 23-year-old, who will sport the Spanish national colours, rides the Philip Hobbs-trained Gallic Prince in the big race at

Uncle Merlin emerged as a live contender for the big

Aintree race after winning at Wincanton in January, and he

did his chances no harm when

running well against No One To

Blame at Ludlow earlier this

Bleu De France, France's main hope for the Derby, spar-

kled in his first serious workout of the year over nine furlougs at

Planning delay

DICK Hern will have to wait at

least another month before any decision is made on plans for his

new yard at Kingwood House, near Lambourn,

Chantilly yesterday.

Hern's Mukddaam cut to 10-1 for Guineas

month.

CORALS report hefty support for Nashwan's half-brother Mukddaam for the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket on May 5.

Dick Hern's colt, who reputedly impressed in a weekend gallop at West Ilsley, has been backed to win £50,000 at 16-1 and is now 10-1, the same price as Be My Chief. There have been two individual bets of £1,000 each-way.

The French-trained contender Machiavellian remains the 13-8

In the 1,000 Guineas, two days earlier, two Newmarket-trained fillies have been backed with William Hill Heart Of Joy, from Michael Stoute's stable, is now 12-1 (from 16-1) and the Tom Jones-trained Hasbah is Half-an-hour later, Tom Jones-trained Additional Scudamore collected his 157th also 12-1 (from 14-1). Tim Forster's Grand National hope the subject of Uncle Merlin was the subject of a £33,000 to £1,000 each-way

%I. D Wilson at Epsom. Tota: £14.90; £3.40, £2.70, £1.40. DF: £54.50. CSF: £162.55. Tricast: £470.55.

Sandown Park

2.15 (2m 4f 68yd ch) 1, THE LEGGETT P Scudemore, 6-5 tay; 2, Kiteritain Castle (K Mooney, 9-2); 3, Clara Mountain H Davies, 6-4; ALSO RAM; 20 Pan Arco

(f) 4 ran. NR: Numerate. 151, 301. M Pipe at Wellington. Tota: 52.00. DF: 52.40. CSF: 55.96.

25.96.

2.50 (2m 4f 88yd ch) 1. ALL JEFF (P Scudemors, 4-6 fav); 2, Brandeston (D Murphy, 9-2) 3, Rumning Sends (Peter Hobbs, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 14 Turnberry Dawn (56h), 20 Lady Of Battwin (4th), 25 Boachendal (8th), 6 ran. NR: New Halen. 6, 8t, 20t, 10t, 7t. C Brooks at Lambourn. Tota: £1.60; £1.40, £1.90. DF: £3.00. CSF: £3.93.

\$3.93.
3.20 (3m 118)rd ch) 1. DE PLUVINEL (Mr J Trice-Roiph, 5-2; 2. Roscoe Harvey (Mr G Ordey, 13-5 fav); 3. Coelectis (Mr C Jones, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 9 Roccimenta (4th), 14 Dock Brief (5th, Right Card fur), 33 Major Tom. 50 High Ridge (8th), Saspring. 9 ran. 31. 31, 151, db; 151. G Press at Peassanoms. Tose: \$2.50; £1.10, £1.80, £1.30. DF; £2.80. CSF; £6.38.

3.50 (Sm 118)rd ch) 1, JOHN O'DEE (D Murphy, 6-1); 2, Torside (P Scudemore, Evens tav); 3, Membatanon (D Gallagher, 2-1), ALSO RAN; 11-2 Long Engagement (pt), 4 ran, NR; Felle Na Hinse, Jim Bowa. N, 2m, G Hunbard at Woodhidge, Totar 5740, DF; 94.20, CSF; 212.27, 4.20 (Sm 18vrl ch); C CAMPSER-ASH (D

4.20 (2m 18yd ch) 1. CAMPSEA-ASH (D Murphy, 7-1): 2. Mendrey (M Lynch, 11-10 fev: 3. Springhotm (R Dunwoody, 15-5). ALSO RAN: 8 With Gods Heby (4m). 4 ran. NR: Ringmon. 5., 11, dist. G Huboard et Woodbridge, Toler. 59.30, DF: 25.80, CSF-£14.34.

214.34.
4.55 (2m 4) 68yd) 1, SUMMONS (Miss A Empirops, 10-11 fav); 2, Teem Approach (Mr D Bisor, 9-1); 3, Sam Brae (Mr J Barron, 7-2, ALSO RAN 11-2 (Relean Led ()), 16 Pulse (5m), 35 Jack And Jil (4m), 68 Infletter (5m), Love Above, 8 mr. NR-Rudojoh Mole, Light Demon. 15, 61, 10, 81, 12, Miss A Embirops at Billingshirst. Tota: 22.00; 51.20, 51.50, 51.50, 51.50. DF: 55.30, CSF: 58.91.

4.35 (6) 1, BARBEZZEUX (G Carter, 201); 2, Apres Halt (N Adams, 8-1); 3,
Musical Fissh (W Carson, 2-1 fav), ALSO
RAN: 6 Miss Kinght (5th), 6 Appears, 9 Hot
Hope (4th), 10 Final Harvest, Belinda's
Boy, 20 Dencing Breeze, Grey Tudor,
Ehot, Nikidis (6th), 12 jan. 2, 1%1, 11, 11,

Newbury District Council had originally pencilled in today's planning meeting to dis-cuss an application to set up a training complex at the 80-acre site. But the plans are now likely to be considered at a meeting of

off the mark PETER Savill, who had more winners than any other British-born owner on the Flat in 1989, got off the mark for the new got on the mark for the new season when he won the Kibworth Claiming Stakes at Leicester yesterday with Bold Street Blues.

Savill quickly

The Cayman Islands-based publisher, who netted £146,520 in prize-money from his 37 winners last year, has 40 horses in training this time, distributed

among 17 trainers. Bold Street Blues, trained at Malton by Colin Tinkler, performs best on soft ground, but nevertheless drew right away from his field three furlongs out

Kevin Darley eased the 8-1 chance before the post, where his mount had 2½ lengths to spare over Pointe of Law.

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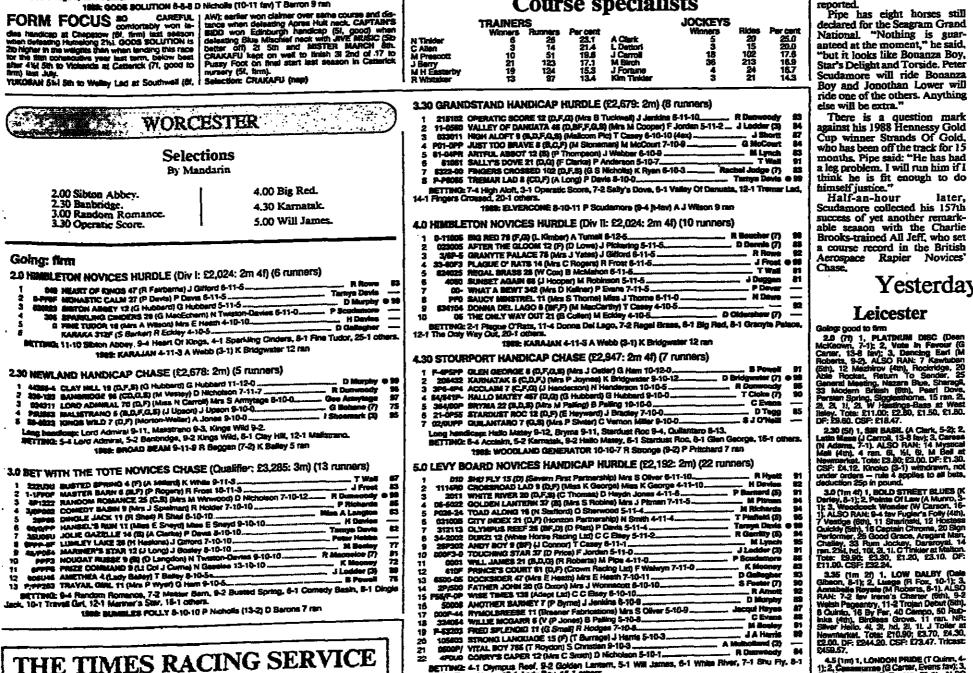
4.00 Big Red. 2.00 Sibton Abbey. 2.30 Banbridge. 3.00 Random Romance. 3.30 Operatic Score. 5.00 Will James. Going: firm 2.0 HAMBLETON NOVICES HURDLE (Div I: 52,024: 2m 4f) (6 runners) PETTING: 11-10 Sibton Abbey. 9-4 Heart Cr Kings. 4-1 Sperking Cinders, 8-1 Fine Tudor, 25-1 others. 1969: KARAJAN 4-11-3 A Webb (3-1) K Bridgwater 12 ran 2.30 NEWLAND HANDICAP CHASE (£2,678: 2m) (5 runners) 4085-4 CLAY MILL 19 (D.F.S) (G Nubbard) G Hubbard 11-12-0 DI
4085-4 CLAY MILL 19 (D.F.S) (G Nubbard) G Hubbard 11-12-0 DI
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309-131 LORD ADMINIAL 75 (D.F) (Miss N Carroll) Mrs S Armylage 8-10-0 Gee As
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10-12-2 Mrs. 10-12-2 Mrs D Murphy **9 39** Dunwoody **9**6

3.0 BET WITH THE TOTE NOVICES CHASE (Qualifier: £3,285; 3m) (13 runners) SETTTRIC: 9-4 Random Romanos, 7-2 Master Sam. 9-2 Busted Spring, 6-1 Cornedy Sealn, 8-1 Cingle Jack, 10-1 Travel Ciri, 12-1 Manner's Saw, 18-1 others. 1900: BUMBLES FOLLY 8-10-10 P Nicholis (13-2) D Barons 7 ran

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BETTING: 2-1 Plague O'Rats, 11-4 Donns Del Lago, 7-2 Regel Brass, 6-1 Big Red, 8-1 Granyte Palace, 12-1 The Only Way Out, 20-1 others.

1989: KARAJAN 4-11-S A Webb (3-1) K Bridgwater 12 ran

4.30 STOURPORT HANDICAP CHASE (52,947: 2m 4f) (7 runners)

5.0 LEVY BOARD NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (52,192: 2m) (22 runners) ... D Gallegher S Poeter (7) gui Hayes C Evans

Course specialists



England hope to fly on tried and tested wings of adventure

Football Correspondent

Bobby Robson yesterday hailed John Barnes and Chris Waddle as the best pair of wingers in the world and asked them to confirm his towering assessment against Brazil at Wembley tonight. If they do, they will enhance more than their own reputations. They will lift England higher in the World Cup rankings.

A victory over Brazil, albeit in the comparatively relaxed air of a friendly international, would be a significant achievement. It has been beyond Italy, the World Cup hosts, and The Netherlands, the European champions, both of whom were defeated at home by a lone goal within the last icw months. As those results indicate

and as their manager, Sebastiao Lazaroni, has suggested, Brazil are no longer a swashbuckling, flamboyant team. The emphasis has altered from uninhibited improvisation towards methodic organization and the exodus of their players to Europe has accelerated the change. They are now even more difficult to

Robson decided a fortnight ago that he would attack Brazil on the broadest front. He formulated the same plan in Rio de Janeiro six years ago. With Barnes and Chamberlain on the flanks, England flew outrageously high on the wings of adventure and won 2-0.

Then the idea was an

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ENGLAND v BRAZIL

Wembley teams ENGLAND: P Shiton (Derby County). G Shrwins (Rangers, T Butcher (Rangers, captain), D Walter (Nottinghern Forest), S Pearte (Nottinghern Forest), D Platt (Aston Villa), S McMehon (Liverpool), C Waddle (Marselles), G Lineber (Tottan-

breathtaking brilliance. Forty-three caps later and the only survivor from that side apart from Shilton, he has neither ecnuinely nor consistently fulfilled his almost unlimited promise for his country.

"He has done well for us but he has had his ordinary days," Robson says. The ensuing praise, nevertheless, was lav-ish. "He is a fabulous player who has got it all. If you saw him in Boca Juniors' colours you would marvel at him. Technically, there are not many better in the world."

His description of Waddle was only marginally less profuse. "Outstanding in the last two internationals at Wembley, he has progressed since leaving Tottenham, where he was fantastic in his last season.

For all their undisputed ability, though, Barnes and Waddle have never dazzled at the same time. Robson, in spite of keeping his faith in them since 1985, has yet to be convinced that he should retain them both in his line-up for the World Cup finals this

"If they can do it together, they could be very, very useful experiment. Barnes, a mere for us. Nobody, potentially, 20-year-old in his sixth full has any better players in wide appearance, scored a goal of positions. The Italians, the

England 4 (Taylor 2, Grainger 2), Brazil 2 (Paulinho, Didi)

England 1 (Hitchens), Brazil 3

Brazil 2 (Tostao, Jeirzinho), England 1 (Bell) England 0, Brazil 1 (Jairzinho)

England 0, Brazil 1 (Roberto)

England 1 (Lineker), Brazil 1 (Mirandinha)

(Garrincha 2, Vava)

England 1 (Greaves

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England 0, Brazil 0 Brazil 2 (Julinho, Henrique), England 0

England 1 (Douglas), Brazil 1 (Pepe)

England 1 (Keegan), Brazil 1 (Gil) England 0, Brazil 1 (Zico) Brazil 0, England 2 (Barnes, Hateley)

West Germans, the gentines, the Spaniards. Either they don't like their wingers or they can't trust them. That is why Barnes and Waddle are so Since they are to fill dual

roles, they will hold the key tonight. As well as prompting Beardsley and Lineker, neither of whom has scored for England this season, they will also occupy Jorghinho and Branco, the full backs who are the principal creative outlets

Brazil's sweeper is exclu-sively defensive. Whereas Koeman is prepared to move forward for the Dutch, for instance. Galvao remains anchored. Moreover, Dunga is as reluctant to stray from his withdrawn position in mid-field. In the central area, therefore, they are as solid as any iron backbone.

The concession of only two goals in an unbeaten sequence of 14 games does not enhance English optimism.

Platt, justifiably chosen above the less disciplined Gascoigne for his full debut, and McMahon could find themselves chasing golden shadows in midfield. More worryingly, so could the members of England's defence, which has been unlocked only four times in their unbeaten run of 14 matches since the European Championship.

As long as Lazaroni does not turn the evening into a farce by introducing numer-ous substitutes, England's home record is in danger. Not since 1984, when the Soviet Union won 2-0, have they lost at Wembley. A less conclusive outcome, such as a goalless draw, would conveniently protect the reputation of both

■ Ian Hendon, the Tottenham Hotspur defender, cap-tains the England Under-18 team for today's game against Denmark at Wembley. The match is a curtain-raiser to the England-Brazil match.



The phoney war of succession

THERE is suddenly talk of the Football Association's plan for acquiring a new England team manager after the World Cup finals this summer. The reality is that it has little if any

Compared with the West Germans, with whom Bert Millichip, the FA chairman, wishes to liken England's organization, the FA is merely shifting from one foot to the other, rubbing its chin, and waiting to see the measure of success or failure this summer of its present incumbent, Bobby Robson. It is improper. for a start, that Robson's future should be under public discussion, with Millichip expressing the view that everything depends on how England fare in Italy.

After eight years and four World Cup or European Championship competitions, the FA international committee should by now know whether or not it thinks Robson is a good manager. It is absurd if, after eight years, he is still on trial. His

greatest virtue has been his

dignity under all pressures:

which he maintained in Zu-

rich at the international semi-

be talking to the FA about his job after the World Cup, and that for the moment his mind was on the meeting with Brazil

For the FA to talk of establishing, like West Germany, a dynastic succession, is like American universities putting up notices saying that from tomorrow it will be a tradition not to walk on the grass. Dynasties do not take root in a week or even a year. When the DFB announced

last December that Bertie Vogts, its full back from two World Cup finals, would succeed Franz Beckenbauer after the finals this summer, it was almost a formality. Far from Beckenbauer having groomed Vogts, as has been suggested, Beckenbauer has been with the Deutsche Fussball Bund two years less than the man succeeds him: never mind that he was captain of the team that in 1974 won the

World Cup after Vogts conceded a penalty within 90 Vogts has been with DFB

since 1980 and was being groomed to succeed Jupp Derwall, a former international inside forward, who likewise for years had been groomed to succeed Helmut Schon after the 1978 finals. But Derwall was hounded out of the job by press acrimony after the 1982 finals in which West Germany reached the final but "failed" to win. Vogts was not yet ready. Beckenbauer has been in effect a stopgap, though by a route of uncertain stepping-stones he. too, found his way to the final of 1986 in Mexico.

Now Vogts, with 10 years of handling all Germany's junior international teams from under-21 downwards, and eight years of working hand in glove with Beckenbauer in analysing future opposing teams, is to take over, his knowledge and experience second to none.

Of the men in line to succeed Robson - whose present team is unlikely to proceed beyond, at best, the

by the FA's terms makes him and pilloried at the slightest replaceable, never mind that he has few if any world-class players - none ranks with Vogts: though Terry Venables and Howard Kendall have useful experience respectively with Barcelona and Bilbao. and Venables some slight

experience as coach to Dave

Sexton's under-21 teams.

The hint seems to be that the FA fancies Graham Taylor because his image is right: quiet, well-spoken, not too commercial, a good coach. Yet Taylor has not won anything that matters, even if he has taken Villa from the bottom of the second division to the top of the first. There is no proof that Taylor can reach the top or endure the pressures when he gets there; furthermore, he has little experience

cellent his credentials. One of the problems with the role of England manager is that everyone in the game fancies the position but does not necessarily relish what it entails: running a team with six to 10 fixtures annually. denied the proper facilities for

training and preparation.

YACHTING

outside England, however ex-

quarter-finals in Italy, which undermined by club manager excuse by the Press.

> Then there is the commercial factor. You do not had Beckenbauer or Vogts writing ghosted newspaper columns or books or diaries about their job, even though they are paid less by DFB than they would be by the leading West German professional clubs.

> Whoever the FA was a appoint in succession to Robson - and a change would be good - it should be on the understanding that all commercial considerations, excluding the occasional interview, are waived during the period of office.

Millichip's instincts are right; but in practice the FA is a long way behind the German line of succession, which began in 1937 when Sepp Herberger succeeded Otto Nerz after Germany's failure in the Olympic Games the previous year. In 54 years West Germany, reaching five World Cup finals in the last 28 years, will have had only five team managers, and of these only Beckenbauer was not planned years in advance.

BOXING

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Chance to contest world title

By Srikumar Sen **Boxing Correspondent**

PAUL Hodkinson, the unbeaten young featherweight from Liverpool, could be well on his way to a world title bout by tomorrow. If he beats Eduardo Montoya, of Mexico, at the G-Mex Centre, Manchester, tonight, he will become the official challenger for the International Boxing Federation Montoya, aged 31, is a late

substitute for Steve McCrory, of Detroit, who last Thursday sustained a broken nose in training. But the Mexican seems an adequate replacement as the IBF still recognizes the bout as a final eliminator for the title. Montoya is his country's champion, having beaten Javier Marquez, the World Boxing Council No. 5, for the Mexican

Montoya has a record of 14 wins, four defeats and a draw. He has been stopped only twice, by Antonio Esparragoza, of Venezuela, the World Boxing Association champion, and Harold Rhodes, of the United States. "We won't be reading too much into the Esparragoza knockout because 28 of his 29 wins have been knockouts," Hodkinson's manager, B J Eastwood, said.

wood, said.

A good win over Montoya could lift Hodkinson to the No. I position in the other two world bodies, which would put him in a unique position to the other two world views to him world views. choose his world title opponent. By the end of the summer. Hodkinson could be the second world champion of Eastwood's Belfast stable - Dave McAuley being the IBF flyweight champion - making it the most successful in Britain.

Hodkinson, who has won 16 of his 17 bouts inside the distance and drawn one, was originally the No. I challenger and need not have risked his position by taking on a late substitute. Such replacements often give nasty shocks.

Eastwood's son, Brian, said that Hodkinson wanted a solid opponent. Hodkinson said if he is going to win the title he has to fight at this level," he said. Hodkinson, who won the Amateur Boxing Association title in 1986, is the most exciting boxer in Britain. His blows are Being trained by Bernado Checka, a Panamanian, Hodkinson does have the Panamanian habit of continually manian habit of continually going forward. So, too, do Mexicans. If Montoya can punch, Hodkinson could find the going tough.

Johnny Nelson, from Sheffield, is seeking to win a Lonsdale belt outright when he defends the British cruiserweight title against Lou Gent, from London, at York Hall, Bethnal Green tonight.

CRICKET

Injuries a threat to England A team's push for victory

wardly when he managed to

THREE of the England A team's bowlers, Martin Bicknell, Igglesden and Illingworth, were nursing injuries yesterday on the rest day of the third five-day international with Zimbabwe here. Bicknell had a grain termin here. Bicknell had a groin strain, Igglesden had an ankle strapped and a suspicion of hamstring trouble and Illingworth a swol-

Though all three hope to take an active part when the match resumes today, the break from cricket came at an opportune moment for them. Certainly they might have struggled had play been scheduled yesterday. England will resume 185 runs ahead, with three first innings wickers in hand. They are not going to lose this match and are therefore assured of winning the series after their win in the first match and draw in the second.

Whether England can dismiss Zimbabwe a second time de-pends on the fitness of their bowlers and the durability of a pitch which has already lost the bounce it showed on the first two days. England hope to bat another hour and add around 45 further runs if they can before they declare.

There is a rough patch at one end of the pitch and twice on

England will hope to utilize this "spot" in the same way. They have every incentive to finish the match inside the remaining two days as they leave for London shortly after the close if the game goes the full distance. Meanwhile. Zimbabwe have

stayed faithful to their established players for the short tour to England in May and for the ICC Trophy in The Netherlands from June 4 to 25. Zimbabwe, the ICC Trophy winners in 1982 and 1986, are desperate for financial reasons to complete a third success. This would enable them to qualify for the incrative World Cup in Australasia 18 months later, alongside the seven Test-playing nations.

Zimbabwean officials felt it best to rely on experienced players in The Netherlands, but they admit they will have to start rebuilding immediately afterwards. Four of the Zimbabwe party played in the 1982 event and nine in 1986. Traicos, the off spinner, who will be 43 during the visit to England, is the oldest player in the side.

Five of the 16 have not appeared against England in the five-day internationals in recent weeks. Among them is David Dolphin, who is 40 next month.

His left-arm spin is expected to "bite" on the Dutch matting

The last batting place has gone to Gavin Briant, who made a hundred last week for Zimbabwe B against the English

David Houghton, the Zim-babwe captain and their best batsman, and Andy Flower, the first-choice wicketkeeper, are both employed as professional coaches in The Netherlands and will miss the visit to England.

Ethan Dube, a Ndebele fast bowier, and the only African to play against Mark Nicholas's side, has been named for the England section of the tour. Zimbabwe hope that Dube will be able to join the MCC groundstaff when the other Zimbabweans move on to The

ZMBARWE IOC TROPHY PARTY: D L Houghton (captain), A J Pycroft (vice-captain), E A Brandes, J P Brent, G Brient, I P Budthert, D F Dolptin, K G Duers, A Flower, D G Goodwin, W James, M P Jarvis, G A Paterson, C M Robertson, A H Shah, A J Traicos.

TOUR ITMERIARY: May 1: v Sussex (Hove); May 14: v Essex (Chaimsford); May 16-12: v Yorkstire (Headingley); May 18-22: v Gloucestershire (Erisch); May 23-25: v Lancashire (Old Trafford).

Fine end to Taylor's season

QUEENSLAND duly failed to win the Sheffield Shield yesterday, going down to New South Wales in the final in Sydney by 345 runs. As anticipated, their lack of a specialist spinner proved fatal on a pitch conducive to slow bowling on a ground where they have not won in the Shield for seven years. Tucker and Matthews, the New South Wales spinners, took 12 wickets between them in the

New South Wales's victory gave them the Shield for the fortieth time, a tally that must appear almost beyond belief to any follower of Queensland, who have now pursued the trophy in vain for 58 seasons. Mark Taylor, who led New South Wales in the absence of the injured Lawson, became the first player to score twin centu-ries in his first Shield match as captain and in the process took his first-class run aggregate for the Australian season to 1,403 (average 70.15). During the final, another New South Wales

Napier, made an impact in India and Pakistan, where two other first-class domestic finals were being staged over the

In Calcutta yesterday, Bengal were well placed to win the Ranji Trophy for the first time. On the fourth day of the final against Delhi, the holders, they were 176 for four in reply to the opposition's first-innings total of 278. In the event of a draw, first-innings lead will be de-cisive. Kirti Azad, the Delhi captain, continued his fine form with 93.

In Pakistan, the Quaid-E-Azam Trophy final, between Pakistan International Airlines and United Bank, was unable to start until the fourth day, when a single-innings match was begun, and not completed until Monday, the seventh day, when PIA won by 51 runs. In New Zealand, Auckland

won the final of the domestic limited-overs competition, the Shell Cup, beating Central Dis-tricts by 22 runs at Napier. The man of the match award went to a member of the losing side, Scott Briasco, who scored 57 and took four for 48, including a hat-trick to finish the Auckland

◆ The Austral-Asia Cup in Sharjah from April 25 to May 4 is to be held as a benefit for Allan Border, the Australia captain. Australia have named the same party of 13 that recently toured New Zealand.

AUSTRALIAM PARTY: A R Border (cep-tain), G R Marsh (vice-ceptain), T M Addemten, D C Boon, G D Campbel, I A Heely, M G Hughes, D M Jones, S P O'Donnel, C G Rackemann, M A Taylor, P L Taylor, S R Waugh. MEW SOUTH WALES: First Innings 390 (M A Taylor 127, S B Small 76, M D O'Neil A 129th Let, 6 5 state of 50; Second Innings 396 for 9 dec (M A Teylor 100, M E Wagidh 78 not out, 8 8 Smell 58, T H Bayles 58). QUEENSLAND: First Innings 103 (G R J Matthews 5 for 31).

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D Tazelaur c Emery b Whithey
C G Rackemann c and b Matthews
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TOTAL OF WICKETS: 1-53, 2-42, 5-114, 4-122, 5-216, 6-234, 7-256, 8-257, 9-279, BCWL8NG: Whitney 28-8-66-3; Hoklaworth 3-0-17-b; Waugh 8-0-22-2; Mathews 37-3-15-96-3; Tucker 27-3-92-1; O'Nell 2-0-8-0.

multiple approach

By David Powell **Athletics Correspondent**

BRITISH women's athletics, which tends to finish a poor second to the men these days, is to be offered the chance of a nursery comparable to the one which helped foster the aspira-tions of the young Daley Thompson, Peter Elliott, Colin Jackson and Steve Backley. Woolworths are investing £300,000 to stock up the basenent, but with the shop window very much in mind.
"Much of our international

success today is down to athletes who developed their talents in the competitive atmosphere of the national Young Athletes League," Mike de Silva, the league chairman, said at the sponsorship announcement yes-

But the competition is for boys only and, with 60 per cent of the Woolworths backing over three years set aside for "dev-elopment", Mike Sommers, the firm's commercial director, and Alan Pascoe, whose company negotiates sponsorship con-tracts on behalf of the British Amateur Athletic Board, said that the understanding was that this category should include a national league for girls. While the British men fin-

ished first in the European Cup last year, the women were third. At the European championships in five months' time, Britain Silva's assessment, saying: "There have been many important factors in our succes over the past four or five years, but the Young Athletes' League has been vital."

It is de Silva's estimation that a national Young Women's League will be in place by the local, sporadic and low-key."

For girls aged 16 and 17, an age at which boys are still eligible for the Young Athletes' League, there is little more than the option of the senior leagues.
"With a Young Athletes" League, you can keep the youngsters in the sport and the girls need an incentive," de Silva

Marcus Adam, the latest to convert Young Athletes' League medals into success, said: "It was a good stepping-stone for

20,000 youngsters will be competing in the Woolworths

ATHLETICS

Sponsor's Smith still leads the fleet as battle with Blake continues is

By Barry Pickthall

ROTHMANS, the leading British contender in the Whitbread Round the World Race, was first among the 22-strong fleet to round the bulge of South Amer-ica yesterday. For a time, Lawrie Smith and his crew opened their lead to 100 miles over Peter Blake's second-placed New Zea-land ketch, Steinlager 2.

Later, the gap narrowed back to 75 miles after the chasing bunch, which includes Grant Dalton's rival New Zealand entry. Fisher & Paykel, and Pierre Fehlmann's Swiss challenger, Merit, also eased sheets and reached off towards the West Indies. However, according to official

computer predictions, if Rothmans maintains her present 9.2-knot average, she will finish at Fort Lauderdale on April 10-20 hours ahead of the fleet. This would be enough to lift the British challenger up to second overall, almost halving

second overall, almost harving Steinlager's lead.

A further 160 miles back, Roger Nilson's Swedish entry, The Card, has pulled up into fifth place, at the expense of NCB ireland and UBF Finland, after emulating Rothmans' de-cisive move to the east. All the leading yachts are now heading for the Doldrums, that

will have three prospective men's gold medal winners for every woman. Tony Ward, the BAAB spokesman, echoed de

summer of next year, but he is aware that there may be resis-tance in the North, which, he says, is reluciant to change. "For girls aged 15 and under there is very little at all — the leagues are

me. It kept me in the sport because I enjoyed winning the medals and the shoes." Adam is now the Commonwealth 200m It is estimated that some

band of calms and humid

thunderstorms positioned 600 miles ahead of the leader between 5 and 7 N. A closer race is developing among the smaller yachts, six miles being all that divided Patrick Tabarly's French Division 3 leader, L'Esprit de Liberté, from Belgium's Rucanor Sport, skippered by Bruno Dubois.

Maiden, carrying Tracy Ed-wards's all-woman team, trails in third place 138 miles astern. Despite this, Edwards reported yesterday that morale remains high, and that she has strong hopes of closing the distance once L'Esprit and Rucanor are parked in the Doldrums.

"We had a good start but went east too early," Edwards said. "Since then, we have been sailing mostly in very light airs, which do not suit our boat at all. Their biggest problems came earlier this week when Maiden's mainsail split as the crew were

mainsail spit as the crew were hurriedly trying to shorten sail during a 50-knot squall.

"The sail was flogging badly, tearing the fluff slides off the sail and damaging the head," Ed-wards said. "Tanja Vissers went up the mast twice to free the sail, but got so bruised by the buffeting that she had to give up.

"It was then left to Mandi Swan to go up and finish the job after badly bruising her legs." In the Cruiser division, John Chittenden and Creightons Naturally continue to extend

their lead over their hapless

Creightons' position was not picked up by the passing Argos satellite at noon yesterday, but is estimated to be more than 200 miles ahead of her famous 17year-old rival.

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NETBALL

Hyrons and Keyte left out of England squad By Louise Taylor

THE All England Netball ranked fourth – the roles were Association (AENA) has an reversed in the Commonwealth nounced its squads for the Games in Auckland in January, senior tour to Australia and under-21 trip to Barbados this Wendy Hale, of East Essex,

absence through injury. How-ever, Jane Hyrons, of Kent, and Alison Keyte, of Surrey, will be disappointed by Nevertheless, the pair will join the squad on training weekends between now and the departure for Australia in early

returns to Betty Galsworthy's senior party following a year's

June, and the AENA has agreed to fly out replacements should injuries occur. Kendra Lowe, of Bedfordthire, is one of the first names Galsworthy pencils on to her team list, but she could struggle to compete in the three-country

tournament against New Zealand and Australia. After injuring the base of ber back, she has been receiving intensive physiotherapy in the hope of recovering in time to face the world's leading teams. While New Zealand are officially No. 1 in the world and

when netball was a demonstra tion sport, and New Zealand were convincingly beaten by the New Zealand will play a warm-up series against Jamaica in April and May before travel-

ling to Australia England Under-21 will gain much-needed experience against Caribbean opposition in July. Pat Watson's players fly to Barbados on July 16, two days after playing host to Canada Such international tours cost

a lot of money, and Liz Nichol, the AENA chief executive, devoted yesterday to meeting representatives from the commercial world in an effort to secure sponsorship for the sport.

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TRIATHLON

Portsmouth is able to draw top-class field

AFTER last year's three-yelf commitment, Whitbread has launched the second Heineken triathlon at Portsmouth (a Special Correspondent writes). Its £150,000 investment into the race on September 2 fully endorses its positive approach in promoung the sport.

The Heineken event is the only triathlon in the United Kingdom which has received television coverage. BBC is to televise this year's race live for the first time.

With an increased budget. including the prize of £10,000, the race organizer. Winning, has already attracted a world-class field including six of the top 10 world-ranked triathletes, Last year's winner, and the world champion, Mark Allen, from the United States, has been signed up and will use the event in his final preparations for the Orando world championships two weeks later in Florida. The British champion, Sarah Spring man, will also take part in the

400-strong entry.
The Portsmouth City Council has given its backing to the racticelected in the course design which will take in many of the historic sights in Portsmouth.

Scots test strength in reserve

burgh, the coach, outlined what he hoped his team might

gain from this meeting with the world champions. "We are greedy about this game." Roxburgh said. "We would like to win it and we would like to have a good team performance, but really the priority for me is to see how individuals perform. If we are going to have to test people we might as well test them against the best. It will

be a very interesting evening."

Although it would be true to say that everyone who plays in a Scottish jersey tonight will be subject to close scrutiny, there will be special attention focused on four players presenting their credentials for entry to the World Cup stage

Craig Levein, the Heart of Midlothian defender, Stuart McCall, of Everton, who will play in midfield, and the forward partnership of Robert Fleck, of Norwich City, and Alan Mcinally, of Bayern Munich, have been invited to show that they can add depth to the Scottish pool for the summer campaign against opponents whose motivation s not certain, but whose technique and variety is bound to pose searching

Levein, whose playing career was in serious jeopardy until a year ago because of a persistent knee injury, yes-terday made a point of thanking the surgeon who restored his mobility, the physiothera-pist at Tynecastle, his man-ager, Alex MacDonald and, of

course, Roxburgh. Fleck, another of those whose international career has been born again, said: "The move to England from Rangers has done me a lot of good. When I was at Ibrox and playing alongside the likes of Terry Butcher and Chris Woods, they were the big names. The move to Norwich let me make a name for

McCall, whose career at international level has been a chequered one, was at pains to stress the strength of his commitment to Scotland,

AS SCOTLAND completed since it has not been forgotten preparations yesterday for tothat he accepted a commission night's visit of Argentina to from Bobby Robson to join Hampden Park, Andy Rox-the England under-21 squad some years ago. He did not, however, take the field in a white jersey, an omission which allowed Scotland to offer him an alternative route to international honours.

"I regret that I chose to go with England but I was under a lot of pressure to do that," he said. "I was never happy to go along with it and I'm glad it didn't work out because I'm a

For his part, Roxburgh was content to let his players do most of the talking, before confirming that he would play with two forwards and a flexible fornation at the back which could be altered to

match the Argentinian pattern
"Fleck is capable of nipping
in on defenders and causing them a lot of trouble with his speed and alertness and McInally is the kind of player who can hold the ball and drag it wide to let other players get up and support him, " Roxburgh said. For reasons which remain

obscure, the Argentinians have not fired the imagination of the Scottish public, who may still be surfing on the adrenatin of the grand slam triumph at Murrayfield, or who may be disenchanted by the fact that Diego Maradona apparently considers commercial engagements in Japan to be more important than offering his country his full atten-tion prior to their defence of football's premier trophy.

Either way, the match will not be a sell out. But what the Scottish Football Association fails to garner in gate revenue may be compensated for by dividends on the playing side. Dundee United's Scotland full back Maurice Malpas faces a race against time to be fit for the World Cup because of a knee ligament injury.

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Scotland 1 (Graham). Argentina 3 (Luque 2, Maradona)

IN THEIR centenary year, Shef-field Schools have reached the final of the English Schools'

Football Association (ESFA) Tropby following a 2-1 victory

Success in the competition is

nothing new to Sheffield. They won it in 1907, the second year it was played, and have been

Play was even in the first half

Play was even in the first half against Liverpool, but five minutes from half-time a well-rehearsed fire kick routine saw Danny Smith score from 25 yards. Gaston equalized for Liverpool with a long, looping shot, which swirled in on the wind from the right.

The deciding soul care five

The deciding goal came five

minutes from time when a shot by Makivel deflected off a defender into the net. In the other semi-final, some-

what against expectations, Sunderland defeated Hull 2-0 on

Monday. Multigan master-minded much skilful play in

midfield to give Hull territorial

over Liverpool at Antield.

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SCHOOLS FOOTBALL

centenary celebration

By George Chesterton



A true Scot at heart: Stuart McCall, the Everton midfield player, who was rescued from England's clutches

eridan fills central role

JOHN Sheridan, who was not considered worthy of starting a League game in his brief career at Nothingham Forest, will be given the opportunity to secure a place in the Republic of Ireland's starting line-up for the World Cup when he plays against Wales at Lansdowne

Road today.

The same applies to Johnny Byrne, the former Queen's Park Rangers player now performing for Le Havre in the French second division, who will share the central midfield duties with Sheridan Byrne's international

career was interrupted last year by a broken leg.

These were the surprise selec-tions in Jack Charlton's 34th match in charge, on his fourth anniversary as manager. By coincidence, his first match was also against Wales at Lanadowne Road, which the Republic lost 1-0. The Irish have not been besten in 17 matches in Dublin since. Contemplating the extraor-dinary turn-round in Irish for-

said: "It seems more like 10 years than four. There have been lots of changes. The pat-tern is pretty much the same. What has got better is the quality of the players and their confidence as a group."

Chariton must take much of the credit for that, introducing a

Rush remarked yesterday, makes them "one of the hardest teams to beat on the international scene"

style of football which, as Ian

Charlton, in turn, extended praise to Ron Atkinson for the improvement in Sheridan's level of performance this season for Sheffield Wednesday, who paid £600,000 for the player last November. Sheridan played just one Littlewoods Cup tie in his

ball, though, is without equal in England, Charlton estimated. "He still lacks a bit on the competitive side but he's getting better and he has a good teacher in Ron Atkinson," he said, Charlton did not mention, however, that ill discipline has also been one of Sheridan's prob-lems; Charlton had cause to castigate him for arriving late in Dublin on Monday. An impressive display by Sheridan, who last played for the Republic 16 months ago in Seville, could put pressure upon Townsend, or more likely, Sheedy.

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costing the club about £555 a the Everton player along with minute, since he was sold for £50,000 less than Forest paid for him.

His value as a passer of the bill thereby is a passer of the bill t Houghton suspended and Aldridge out with a dislocated shoulder, it has given Charlton the opportunity to take a closer look at the reserves.

As expected, Charlton will put a green shirt, on the back of

a green shirt on the back of Bertie Slaven, the Middles-brough forward, thereby laying claims on him ahead of Scot-land. The Football Association of Ireland (FAI) has yet another Irish grandparent to be grateful to for this new addition to the family, as Slaven was born in Scotland and brought up there. Charlton described him as just the sort of player for whom the Irish have been looking.

Irish have been looking.

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND: P Bonner (Ceitic): C Bioris (Ceitic), S Staution (Liverpool), M McCarthy (Olympique Lyons), K Mezas (Biacidum Rovers), R Whelan (Liverpool), J Bymn (Le Havre), J Sheridan (Sherileid Wednacday), A Townsens (Norwich Chy), A Cascarino (Aston Villa), B Slaven (Middlesbrough), Bubethines: Q Kelly (Bury), C Hughton (Tottanham Hotspur), D O'Lenry Januarin P Blackneth (Aston Villa), K

Trouble-free cup games critical for English hopes

COLIN Moynihan, the Minister for Sport, yesterday warned of the danger of provocation of the England supporters during the World Cup from hooligans attached to some other European countries whose behaviour has thereby deteriorated this reserve.

sharply deteriorated this season.

The international against Brazil at Wembley tonight is not expected to create any problems because of the absence of rival spectaine of the ansence of rival spectains. However, Moynihan stressed that this was all the more reason for the game to be trouble-free and that all matches until the end of the World Cup were critical if England's reput-ation is to be partially restored and the Government is to support the readmission of clubs to the three European

to the three European competitions.

Moynihan said of hooliganism: "The season has got better in this country at a time when there has been a marked deterioration in Holland, Italy and to a lesser extent, Spain."

Speaking of the World Cup he said: "Likely incidents of fighting among football supporters, from a number of countries which have not exported violence in the past, is a serious issue."

Moynihan, who will be going to Italy in May to discuss final arrangements for the competition, which is expected to attract 20,000 supporters, from the British Isles, said there was greater expertise available for preparations than at any time in

the past.
There has never been a campaign in terms of policing or back-up organization of this scale for any international sport-ing event, which has been launched from this country," he

months to minimize the chances of violence. However, he admit-ted: "There is a very serious risk that there are going to be incidents. I am realistic to know

that people want to fight. Whether it is in London or Sardinia they will try to find an opportunity to fight. Our job is to minimize the opportunities. to fight."
Sardinia, he said, does minimize the opportunities for violence because of the difficulties. on reaching the Mediterranean island. But bearing in mind the problems that occurred in 1986 on the ferries to The Nether-

lands and before the World Cup tands and before the World Cup qualifying game in Sweden last September, all boats travelling to Sardinia, where England will play the preliminary pool matches, all have to be monitored.

monitored.

The demand on the Italian police manpower will be enormous, partly because the authorized England supporters, part of the Football Association Travel Club, will have to be presented from rivel supporters. protected from rival supporters, and partly because some of the freelance supporters, who will travel to Italy hoping to get tickets on the black market, will instigate violence.

Very few of the known hooli-

gans can be stopped from traveling to Italy because part two of the Football Spectators Act only comes into force at Easter. This will oblige anyone convicted of serious criminal offence to report to a police station, when matches involving England or

This legislation is not remospective and, therefore, only those convicted between Easter and June can be barred

New stadium plan for Plymouth

A SCHEME to provide a 25,000-capacity all-seat stadium for Plymouth Argyle was launched yesterday. The second-division club's present ground, Home Park, would be taken cure by Plymouth A Bing. SCHEME to provide a bid for Huddersfield Town retaken over by Plymouth Albion, the city's premier rugby outfit, under the plan, as part of a £100

Plymouth Argyle would move to a new stadium, including an all-weather, international-standard athletics track, just a few hundred yards away in Central Park. If the scheme is given backing, work could start by next January and be completed within two years, saving an estimated £1 million the season after breaking a kneecap in a practice match. • West Bromwich Albien are being off one-foot-square pieces of the Hawthorns pitch. The sections will be sold for £3.95 each when the pitch, which was damaged by the bad

jected yesterday vowed to con-tinue their battle to gain control. David Taylor, a chartered accountant, said the consortium would consider increasing its offer for the club, which reported a record loss of £300,000 for the year ending July 31 1989.

• John Deakin, the Birmingham City midfield player, will be out for the rest of the season after breaking a

which was damaged by the bad The head of a six-man con- weather at the start of the year, sortium which had its take-over is replaced during the summer.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Griffiths in ruthless form

From a Special Correspondent, Dublin

Doug Mountjoy, 5-1 in the first round of the Benson and Hedges Irish Masters at Goffs, County 30 and 50.

ened European Commission directive is implemented. Prost and Balestre appeared at

world champion, said his brother had died from lung cancer, but added: "I don't think I have encouraged people to "I may have incited them to

advertising will inflict a lot of hardship on all auto sports." Balestre said that if the authorities want to get rid of the sponsorship then just as much money in state subsidies will have to be put in.

Alain Fernandez, of Philip

Morris France, said: "We are in TERRY Griffiths hardly missed a scoring opportunity and defeated his fellow Welshman. The first frame took 35 min-

country's rugby union defeat in 54 and 71, but ran out of Dublin last Saturday was obviously uppermost in his mind. a century beckoned. "It would "That was a terrible perfor- have been nice to have made a

The Australians have the

Brisbane in their quarter-final,

FOR THE RECORD

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Northwich 1. PONTING CENTRAL LEAGUE: First divisions: Neil 2. Evenori 3: Sheffield United 0, Leicester, 2. Second division: Middletrough 0, Wast Second: Albion 0: Borniey 1, Marsfeld 1, CLUSCALL CUP: Beni-Steel: Hyde 4, Coine

clearance," he said, "but I'm not interested in big breaks, only winning." He now plays John ntes. Mountjoy won the next,

85-0, in eight, making breaks of Griffiths raised the pace and Kildare yesterday.

The clinical victory brought completed the last three frames Griffiths double satisfaction: his in 45 minutes with breaks of 53.

TENNIS

Becker absence could prove costly

his captain, Niki Pilic, does not know how to replace him.

Germans could not have rel-

SKIING

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SUMBRITE GOLD CUP: Reading 48, King's Lyno 44; Wolverheington 47, Coverby 43,

SQUASH RACKETS

PARIS (AFP) — Boris Becker Italy, who surprisingly ended has dominated the Davis Cup Sweden's Davis Cup run, will be for the all-conquering West hard-pressed to provide an en-

Germans in the last two years, core against Austria in Vienna. but his absence in Buenos Aires Becker says the Davis Cup has

this weekend will almost cer-tainly mean Argentina qualify for a semi-final with Australia. his captain, Niki Pilic, does not

The Australians have the Even with the Wimbledon form to beat New Zealand at and US Open champion, the

which starts on Friday, while the United States may find they of Alberto Mancini and miss Andre Agassi just as much as the Germans do Becker when as a crowd with a reputation for noisy participation in almost

Parrott in the quarter-finals tomorrow evening.

Dennis Taylor plays his opening match against Cliff Thorburn this afternoon; victory will mean a quarter-final

match against Alex Higgins on RESULTS: First round: T Griffiths (Wales) bt D Mountjoy (Wales), 5-1.

tween Michael Stich and Jens Wohrmann, or the doubles

specialist, Eric Jelen, to play the singles alongside Carl-Uwe

makes Argentina favourites. Neale Fraser, the Australian

captain, has named Wally Masur, Darren Cahili, Mark

Meg

We didn't come to lose, but this is going to be a very difficult match to win," Pilic said. The heavy balls, clay courts, the crowd and, of course, no Becker,

coaching job at Fartown (Keath Macklin writes). Huddersfield have also signed Kevin Dick, the experienced utility player, from Halifax.

David Parker, a director of the Huddersfield club, said: "I had an amicable chat with

Warrington have given a three-year contract to Duane

Mann, their international hooker, who will not now be returning to New Zealand after Saturday's Silk Cut Challenge Cup semi-final.
Wigan travel to Castleford for

a vital championship game to-night without five regulars, al-though Andrew Gregory, the scrum half, has declared himself

Kratzmann and John Fitzgerald to face New Zealand.

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SWITZERLAND

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Uto upper.

Forecast: Caimgorm, Lecht and Glessiee will have scattered snow showers today, dying out by afternoon. Strong rootnesty winds will become much lighter in the afternoon, with the freezing level will arroad 2,000ft. Cloud will be be a strong contrain in any early showers at around 2,000ft later. There will also be a good deat of standing. Other areas will have a dry day with surely preiods, with some heavy cloud and some aument tog. Wands will be a fresh northerly becoming light before backing south-westerly later.

Seabourne

moves to Fartown

HUDDERSFIELD, the ambitious second division club who have offered Jeremy Guscott a four-year contract worth £300,000, yesterday ap-pointed Barry Seabourne, the former Bradford Northern coach and half back, to the coaching job at Fartown (Keith

Guscott and he has agreed to give us an answer when he returns from the Hong Kong

SNOW REPORTS

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Outlook: Some light trizzle tomorrow, with winds generally strong westerly and treezing levels relarg to 3,500ft. Friday should be dry with moderate winds.

e information supplied by the Scottish Metagrological Office.

leads the field | Blake continual sponsors

ASA given | Sheffield hoping for a boost by

received a sponsorship boost, worth £75,000, from Esso yesterday (Craig Lord writes). The Esso package will support the Amateur Swimming Associ-ation for the fourteenth year, and will cover the costs of 27 national and district events, the inter-county knockout contest

and the national youth squad for Ed Dean, the president of the ASA, attended the annual Esso sponsorship lunch in London to accept the sponsorship cheque, with Austyn Shoruman and Christian Robinson, two of the many youth swimmers to bene-

fit from the deal.

Shortman, aged 17, of Reissel, won two silver relay medals at the Commonwealth Games in the Commonweath Cames in Auckland in January, while Robinson, aged 16, of Killerwhales, is the reigning European junior 200 metres butterfly champion.

David Barter, of Esso, said:
"We believe that consistent

"We believe that consistent "We believe that consistent support at the grass-room level of sport is vital to ensure young swimmers can empty the benefits that sport can bring."

advantage, but the Sunderland defence prevented any serious shot at goal, with Ferry outstanding.

Rhoades is dead

CEDRIC Rhonder, the former charman of Lancashire county enchet club, has died, aged 70, after a short illness.

Rhonder led the rebellion against the Lancashire committee in 1964 and became charman in 1964 and became

chairman in 1969, staying in charge until his resignation in February 1987. He retained his connection with Lancashere youth cricket and was president of the Lougne Cricket Conf-

l'itle shared Robbie Strel, of Cambridge University, and Graham Alex-ander, of Strathelyde Univer-sity, shared the giant slation rule yesterday at the British Univer-sities sluing championships at Avacanore. Glasgow University won the team rule.

won the team title. Chare Drysdale and Korenn Machie limited first and second in the women's event to give Aberdeen University the tout title.

End of road SYDNEY (Results) - Donny halonde, aged 29, of Canada, has retired from bosting after three throat surgery metier that month, His connect with the World Boxing Council light-heavyweight nile-bolder, Jeff Harding of Australia, schoduled for next Tuesday, has been checkled.

SPORT IN BRIEF **Eddie Shaw**

Eddie Shaw, the man who trained Barry McGuigan to win the World Boxing Association featherweight championship, died in Belfast yesterday at the

British squad Orest Britain have selected a 17-

Great Britain have sciented a 17-man squad for the Bartlett amatour rugby longue inter-rational against France at Hil-ton Park, Leigh, on April 6. GREAT SHITAM SCHAD: S Confer (Warne, P Devices (Barton), S Honton) (Warne, P Honton, G Hotson), C Honey (R Hotson), S Honton, C Honey (R Hotson), S Honton, C Grading, G Lond Pull, P Starth (Lapin, P stansaugue (Whiteneous, Cap-sin), M Capamby (Worldenous), Cap-min), M Capamby (Worldenous), J. Supply, Grading, S Seeds (Whiteneous), H Story Grading, N Smite (St Haisrie), P Smith (Whiteneous).

Douce's job Steve Douce, the six-times nat-ional cyclo-cross champion, was named yesterday as the captain of the new Raicigh mountain bike meng team.

ST DIZIER, France (AFP) -The heavyweight contest between George Forenan and Jean Maurice Changl, of France, planned for April 3 has been Lap record Paul Stewart knocked 1.1sec off

the lap record during testing for

the the British Formula Three

race at Donington Park on

No contest

Harvey now meet either Barnsley Sixth Form College or Xavarian College, Manchester, which guarantees a north versus south final. Derry City, the holders, have

Harvey in the match with good

saves in the first half, when

Wilson's looked the stronger

for the first time.

been drawn against St Pats Athletic, the league leaders, in the quarter-finals of the FAI

DRAW: Darry City v St Pass Athles Shelboutne or Brey Wanderers v Galle United or Amione Town, Bohernerse Cork City or Shigarock Rovel Nevossilipsed v Cobn Pamblers or Francis (matches to be played we ending April II).

BOWLS

Roylance into last eight of Ely Masters

JAYNE Roylance, the only woman player left in the Robert Hutchinson Opticians Masters tournament at Ely, made further progress yesterday with a 9-4, 9-2 victory over Andrew Friend in the second round. Her quarterfinal opponent will be John Ottaway, the national outdoor singles champion, who best Gary Smith 4-9, 9-4, 9-6.

MOTOR RACING

Prost and Balestre

campaign
PARIS (AFP) - Alain Prost, the
world Formula One champion, O'Connor scored after 20 minutes and Smith made it 2-0 10 minutes into the second half. Harvey Grammar School, Folkestone, representing Kent, defeated Wilson's School, and Jean Mane Balestre, president of FISA, the sport's govern ing body, spoke out in Paris yesterday against European Community plans to ban to-Surrey, 1-0 at Kingstonian PC to reach the final of the Barclays ESFA Under-19 Schools' Cup bacco sponsorship in motor Crocker, the goalkeeper, kept

They said the sport faced an uncertain future if the threat-

Twenty minutes after the interval, Wootton laid across a fine pass for Morris, the Harvey captain, to drive the ball home. a presentation by Marlboro France. Prost, the three-times

change brands. But a ban on

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ATHLETICS MANAUS, Brook international manifus; Mort 1980s; 7 Williams (U.S.), 10,40 sc. 200s; 1, Williams, 20.57; 2, R de Shvi (BR), 20.83, 400s; R Ferrander (Lobe), 45.07; Miller J Cutz (Br), 4rm 01.00 sc. Discour; 1, J Marster (Cuts), 10,00; 2, L Delle (Cuts), 50.82; 3, J Screet (EG), 58.60 Wassen; 100s; L Allen (Cuts), 11,40 sc. 100s marsies; A Lobes (Cuts), 11,40 sc. 100s marsies; A Lobes (Cuts), 11,28. High jamp; / Garcis (Cuts), 11,28; Javelin; 1, P Fester (EG), 73.08s; 2, D-M Garcis (Cuts), 60.00.

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BASKETBALL MATIONAL ASSOCIATION (HEA): Charlots Homes 97, New Jersey Nets 83; Alanta Healts 113, Device Hoppes 92; Claveland Cavisian 116. Sacramento Roga 55; Chicago Sule 121, Prosess Sura 62; Houston Rockets 113. San Assonic Sours 95; Los Association Coccess 101. Minnesota Timberwolves 96 BOXING

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GARFORTH: Goodle Leadu championehipe: Finalis: National D.J. Smith., 9-2, 9-4, 8-9, 7-9, 10-8. Women: C Brown bt G Kelly, 1-9, 3-9, 9-4, 8-2, 9-0, NATIONAL WOMEN'S CHAMPIONEMP Caustin-finet: Pontatract 4, Queen's MIT 1. TENNIS JSTON, Texas: Women's tours Found: A Temegrari (Hum) bt N is First reund: A Temegveri (Hun) bit N lecturing (d. 6-2, 6-1. WiTA: Residence: 1, S Gref (WGt: 2, M Neoration (US); 3, G Sabatiri (Arg; 4, M Sales (Yug); 5, A Saleshari (Arg; 4, M Sales (Yug); 5, A Saleshari (Arg; 5), Lueding recess-witness: 1, Nevreticva, 5270,750 (2770,500; 2, Gref, 5248,821; 3, H Suitova (Cr.), \$165,556; HOCKEY PIZZA EXPRESS LONDON LEAGUE: Press Sixtelegs: Pustey 2, Tuiss HII 0. ICE HOCKEY IATIONAL LEAGUE (NILL): Misses Stars 5, Toronto Mapie Leafs 4.

Soviet rider signs BOULDER, Colorado (Reuter) Gintautas Umaras, of the Cymnamas Dimars, of the Soviet Union, who won two cycling gold medals in the 1988 Clympics, has signed a one-year contract with the Coors Light squad, which is based in the United States.

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Haynes brings out the raging bull in Malcolm

From Alan Lee, Cricket Correspondent, Port of Spain, Trinidad

The suspicion of an ominous new mood in this series was from that euphoric start owed through can presage a cluster gathering fresh evidence yesterday until England's ailing out to be disciplined but time and again, new batsmen victory hopes were spectacularly revived in the space of

To regain their grip on this third Cable and Wireless Test, it seemed England needed to break the back of the West Indian batting early on this

not a wicket for almost three hours. But in mid-afternoon, with a draw long odds-on and the potential for last-day batting disasters entering the English equation, West Indian progress was suddenly cut short.

In those nine deliveries they lost four wickets, Fraser taking the first and Malcolm following up with three in four balls of an explosive over totally out of character with his

England had been kept waiting as Greenidge and Haynes demonstrated the absurdity of a swelling public opinion that they ought to be replaced. On Monday night, during a live television debate here on what some see as a crisis in West Indian cricket, there were calls for Greenidge and Haynes, respectively 38 and 34 years of tween them, to give way to young blood. If they were surrounded it all the more age, and with 185 caps bewatching in their hotel rooms, they got the message and reacted accordingly.

By half an hour after lunch they had wiped off the West Indies' first-innings deficit of 89 and seemed set for their fourteenth century opening stand together, but their first

outsiders, a contingency which had been inconceivable with West Indies standing at 29 for five last Friday

First innings 199 (Malcolm 4-60, Fraser 3-41)

son not out ...

WEST INDIES

Second Innings

C L Hooper, E A Moseley, C E L AMbrose, I R Bishop and C A Weish to bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-96, 2-100, 3-100, 4-100.

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First innings 288 (Gooch 84, Larkins 54, Ambrose 4-36)

England's gradual decline however, is that one breaksomething to batting which set of wickets. It had happened became dangerously static. It

Malcolm had done extraordate but he remains essentially raw and yesterday morning, when the priority was to bowl straight on a pitch offering inconsistency of bounce, he speared the undemandingly down the leg side. When he managed to correct his line, it was at the expense of his length and

Occasionally, Malcolm in-dicated what could be achieved. He best Greenidge twice in an over and then made one ball scuttle through frustrating and what followed later in the day all the more easily explained.

Greenidge drove him hun-

Malcolm and Small shared the attack for an hour before Gooch turned to his second wave of Capel and Fraser. They produced nothing more worthwhile, both offering the openers too many chances to get on to the front foot and Suddenly, England were the drive. It began to seem that England would after all regret the absence of a spin bowler.

its options thrown open, the likeliest of them another England triumph. Nothing would be taken for granted so long as Gus Logie, Lunch was taken with West Indies only 13 runs behind. the infuriating, yet talented, man who rescued West Indies The thing about this pitch, on Friday, stayed to torment them. He came out to roars of SCOREBOARD FROM TRINIDAD welcome from his local crowd and, although more and more deliveries were failing to rise to a civilized height, he began

> with Richardson. • Malcolm Marshall is to return to action against England in their three-day match against Barbados, starting in Bridgetown on Friday.

the salvage job in company

ficiently to turn Haynes

square and loop off the out-

Now Malcolm charged in,

the angry bull with his sense of

direction restored. Best sur-

vived his first ball but had no

chance against the second,

slightly short and shooting

leg-before verdict was

violently into his ankles. The

Dujon again came in at

No. 5. He has waited years for

such promotion but managed

only four in the first innings.

This time he did not do nearly so well. Malcolm's first ball to

him was a replica of his last

and the one difference was

that Dujon did not even get

West Indies were effectively

11 for four and a game which

had seemed destined for an

anaesthetized final day had all

his pads in the way.

side edge to Lamb at gully.

Marshall was ruled out of the abandoned Georgetown Test and yesterday's third match after breaking his left index finger in the third oneday international in Kingston

three and a half weeks ago. The key fast bowler is one of six Test players in a 14-strong Barbados squad.



Change in approach

The former England captain

I wonder what odds one would have been given two months ago that at 10 o'clock on the rest day of the third Test two buses would leave the Trinidad Hilton, one containing the West Indian team en-route to the nets, and the other half of the England team plus the odd Times "journalist" heading for a relaxing day out on the

If one wanted to be pedantic, there are probably a couple of England batsmen who would like to feel the ball on the bat a little more often, but the facts tell the story of how important it was that the West Indian batsmen should show more collective application on this fourth day of the Test than they have done thus far in their three previous innings of the series.

Admittedly on the first day at the Queen's Park Oval they were caught, mostly between the 'keeper and third slip, on a damp, unhelpful wicket. One of their problems as a batting be specific and constructive. designed so that when a player

reports on the third Test match in Port of Spain as an excuse, but one must also remember that this is not an unfamiliar story in this part of the world, and it has not prevented top West Indian batsmen from reaping their

David

Gower

normal harvest in the past. It is no secret that much of the art of batting lies with the confidence of the batsman, and there are those of us that are happy enough to let the atmosphere of a Test match bring out the best in us. Without due care and attention to practice in the meantime this can be a risky business. Always the prime

has finished his session he should feel that both his game and his confidence have been suitably enhanced. I understand that West

Indians on Monday used mostly local club bowlers after all, their main attack alternative cricket in between would not have appreciated Test matches and/or rain the bulk of two days in the storms. It would, however, be field being followed by all too easy to fall back on this another morning's hard labour. At least for the first session Greenidge and Haynes were able to survive some testing moments from Malcolm and Small, before allowing themselves the luxury of some crisp drives or firm pushes into the gaps on the leg side. The 65 runs they gleaned in that session again reflected that generally well-directed bowling and variable bounce together hamper extravagant

stroke play. As I write, West Indies are

left a red available for Higgins

in a middle pocket. Higgins

celebrated his brown-to-black

clearance in frame eight with a

punch into the air, but

Wattana hit back by taking the ninth with a 34 to leave all

yet to overhaul England's lead, and the sudden succession of falling wickets still concern is that practice should gives the edge to England.

Full house will watch Platt press his claim

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

DAVID Platt, the captain of once in the other 14 meetings Aston Villa and their leading between the two countries. goalscorer, has been chosen to That was during England's make his full debut in En- tour of South America six gland's historic match against years ago when Barnes Brazil tonight. The inter- claimed a stunning goal which national, which has attracted a will never be forgotten by capacity crowd, is the first to those who saw it in the be staged at Wembley since it Maracana Stadium. was converted into an all-

other than during the finals of the European championship, in the last four years.

Both nations have been unbeaten in their last 14 games with Brazil's record being marginally the more impressive. The conquerors of Italy, the World Cup hosts, and The Netherlands, the champions of Europe, in their own backyards in recent months, they have conceded only two goals. England have

Havelange, but stressed that History is also on the side of there would need to be sa the Brazilians. Apart from their first visit here in 1950 they have been defeated only economy.

TIRRENIA, Italy (Reuter) -

Cast-offs Officials deal blow in Italian crackdown to England

Referees officiating at the World Cup finals in Italy are to clamp down on delays of England B ... play during games and will

book players guilty of deliberate hand-ball. The International Football Federation (FIFA) has told referees named for the tour- at all with this emphatic nament to pay great attention victory over their World Cap to fouls and to interruptions at a three-day working session for the 36 officials.

"The game must be speeded up," one of the referees, Tullio Lanese, of Italy, said.

Luigi Agnolin, the second Italian referee selected by FIFA, said rules would be applied "to the letter" during each of the 52 matches. He said deliberate handball would be punished with a yellow card, the law restricting goalkeepers to four steps when they are holding the ball would be stringently applied, and referees would not tolerate protests by players.

● ITV's coverage of the World Cup finals will be sponsored by National Power. Under terms of the £2 million deal, National Power's name will be featured up to eight times for each of the live matches on ITV.

The company's name and logo will be shown at the beginning and end of commercial breaks, and there will be announcements referring to its sponsorship. National Power will also run a series of commercials explaining its

 Bryan Robson could be fit in time in time to play for Manchester United in their FA Cup semi-final against Oldham Athletic, of the second division, on Sunday

Yesterday, Alex Ferguson, United's manager, said: "Bryan trained again today and was kicking the ball which is very encouraging. If there is no reaction to his injury, he could be okay for an A team game on Saturday.

Robson is recovering from a eroin operation and has missed the club's last 17 ames. The set-back also cost him an appearance for England in the game against

upturn in the Brazilian

maintain their reputation and

to avoid defeat. Schasting

Lazaroni, therefore, has as-

lected the side considered to

be his strongest but he may be

tempted to introduce several

• BRASILIA (AP) - The

Brazilian president, Fernando

Collor de Mello, wants his

country to host the 1998

World Cup. He made his

views known at a meeting with the FIFA president, Joan

From Clive White Cork

Rep of ireland B.

IF NOT exactly a psychological blow to England, the Republic of Ireland certainly. did their confidence no harm group rivals in a B inter national fixture here,

Turners Cross, yesterday. The game was a personn triumph for Quinn, who, confronted by Adams, his former Arsenai colleague, scored two goals. Cast-offs in general had a good day - David Kelly, who had to survive criticism and ridicule during his time at West Ham United, repaired some of the damage to his reputation with a perky

Dave Sexton, the England B manager, believed the Irish took England by surprise, yet it was the English who opened the scoring after just seven minutes, Atkinson volleying home a rebound.

performance.

The equalizer arrived when McLoughlin ran on to Mooney's pass to beat Beasant comfortably. Three minutes later, the Republic were ahead after Linighan unnecessarily tugged at David Kelly's hand and the same player scored the ensuing penalty.

Linighan, whose autecedence also made him eligible for the Republic, was next found wanting by Mark Kelly, who beat him to cross the ball for Quinn to score at the far post. Three minutes from time, Seaman conceded his second goal from Quinn's finely angled header to another cross from Mark Kelly.

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Kelly.

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Wednesdey), A Sinjon (Queen's Park

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Wright man for the job BILLY Wright will agree to discussion on this but I have

become a director of Wolverhampton Wanderers if an anticipated invitation is made in two weeks' time (Dennis Shaw writes). Wright, a director in cable television, is part of the package that Sir Jack Hayward, a Staffordshireborn millionaire who on occasion has had aspirations to ease the club's financial problems, is hoping to put together

honoured if such an invitation were made," Wright said yes-

heard nothing official on the Subject." Wright is a regular spectator

at Molineux, where as a player he became a distinguished captain of club and country, collecting 105 England caps. Hayward made a 4,500-mile

round trip from his tax haven in the West Indies to make a £2 million after for the club he has supported since he was a boy. He discussed details with the owner, Tony Gallagher, 3 builder, who is now ready to withdraw, having purchased the club merely with a super-

Higgins shrugs off his late night By Steve Acteson A niggling first session was

ALEX Higgins, whose career is in the balance both on and off the table, was given help from a surprising quarter before his Embassy world snooker championship qualifying match with James Wattana, of Thailand, at the Guild Hall, Preston, Higgins allegedly threat-

ened during Northern Ire-land's World Cup defeat by Canada on Saturday to have Dennis Taylor, his team-mate, shot the next time that he went to the Province, and he could be banned sine die.

However, on Monday night he fulfilled a date that he had agreed a year earlier to play Jimmy White at the London Hilton in aid of the Bud Flanagan Leukaemia Fund. Afterwards Taylor's manager, Barry Hearn, the Matchroom chairman, honoured a pledge to give Higgins use of the organization's stretched Lin- standing room only.



drive him to Lancashire. hotel until 5.30am and, after snatching a little sleep, was on table at 1pm, but was swiftly refreshed by the welcoming cheers of his supporters, who made his side of the large hall

coln Continental limousine to Higgins did not arrive at his

chiefly illuminated by Higgins's top breaks of 53 and 65. Wattana, aged 19, in his first season as a professional and fancied in some quarters to win the match at a canter. seemed more overawed by the occasion, but then Higgins is used to living his life under Higgins, twice world cham-

pion and striving to avoid failing to qualify for next month's world championship finals for the second year in succession, took the second frame with a clearance of 30, and although Wattana cleared from the last red to level at 2-2, Higgins took the fifth with the first of his half-centuries before Wattana levelled once

A Higgins break of 65, which ended when he missed chance to clear and win by two points, but he immediately

liards and Snooker

a long red, left Wattana the Rothmans Grand Prix.

still to play for, at 5-4. • Paul Hatherell, who as tournament director of the 1986 United Kingdom championship was headbutted by Higgins in an incident that cost the Irishman a five-tournament ban and a £12,000 fine, was yesterday ousted as managing director of the World Professional Bil-

Association. Hatherell will, however, continue his links with snooker in a promotional capacity and his first venture, on behalf of the WPBSA, will be to promote next season's

issue focus of heated debate keep the good name of the

From a Correspondent Berne

THE issue of security for horses at leading international shows and events is expected to boil over when the Fedération Equestre Internationale (FEI) meets here today.

Many delegates of the 62 nations represented want to speak. They will be waving their red cards to catch the eye of the Princess Royal who, as president of FEL will chair the meeting.

The federation wants show stables to be ringed by fencing two metres high, and guards keeping an eye on the horses 24 hours a day. All this, if agreed, will be met by the shows themselves... Last year, security on the

scale now proposed for all big

events was used for the Euro-

pean showjumping championships at Rotterdam. It cost the show £25,000 for four days. "Feelings are running high

here," Colonel Philip Drew, chairman of the British Showjumping Association, said. "We are worried at home over the effect this could have at Hickstead, where stables cover a wide area. Also the effect on the Horse of the Year Show at Wembley."

Competitors at Wembley mostly sleep in their horse boxes or in caravans within the sealed off stable area. As the proposals stand this would not be allowed. "Space is tight already so we

methods. chairman of the leading shows'

will be faced with a real problem," Colonel Drew said. shows to make their own The FEI is adamant that arrangements this year, have an evaluation, and make firm tougher measures are necessary to rule out abuses and proposals next year.

sport. Abuses include over-use of phenylbutazone (commonly called bute) and other Richmond, chairman of the painkilling drugs to mask Association of International lameness. The new proposals are also Dressage Organizers. He said: designed to rule out the use of quiet corners near show arenas for banned schooling

Jacques Schouflour, of The Netherlands, who is here as organization, said: "Sport involving animals must be kept absolutely clean or the public goes mad and sponsors disappear." His group yesterday recom-mended the FEI to allow

ing upstairs". "The riders will now be paying less than proposed." The new sum for security is £4.75 per horse per show, quite a drop from a proportion of the prizemoney, which was the original

Some powerful figures spoke to the Princess Royal and her committee during the day, including the Duke of

We are fine at Goodwood as the security exists on the racecourse. But shows using temporary stables are very worried - a good deal of talking still needs to be done." Later, Eric Wouters, of Belgium, vice-chairman of the International Riders Club, said there had been "a soften-

Molineux. "I would be thrilled and

terday. "I have heard media market project in mind.

following recent talks at

failing to adjust to its Not since the summer of eccentricities, and now it was that same year, 1984, have England lost at Wembley. The owed more to a West Indian seater stadium. to happen once more. bowling display on Sunday rated by their manager and Platt takes the place of Bryan Robson, the England sequence stretches back 21 The total had reached 96 captain who has yet fully to former captain, Clive Lloyd, matches to the sunlit afterwhen Fraser approached recover from a hernia operaas "one of the best I have seen noon when the Soviet Union Greenidge. Stretching right tion. Stevens, McMahon, Beardsley and Barnes, who forward, the batsman was hit The psychological damage already inflicted on England Bobby Robson, described tonight's game as "the mon low on the front pad and penultimate day.
They failed forlornly, taking wins his fiftieth cap, have been Fraser's appeal was answered recalled to strengthen the side was topped up in Sunday's by the umpire, Cumberbatch. important since we played Holland before the European Greenidge looked disbelieving which beat Yugoslavia 2-1 in farcical final act when Malchampionship two years and colm, under instructions to but he had to go and the It is not the ultimate test The loss of Bryan Robson is keep the ball up in order to landslide had begun. keep the game going in poor light, conceded 11 runs in because it is a friendly interominous. He has missed only Malcolm's new over did not national but it will serve as a five of the 34 fixtures since the immediately promises riches. good guide to our progress."
In front of an estimated 1986 World Cup finals in Mexico and, in his absence, three balls and responded with He over-pitched on leg stump and Haynes drilled the ball audience of 83,000 the Brazil-England have suffered both of through midwicket to bring up ians will be as anxious to the defeats to be inflicted, dinarily well in this series to 100. His next ball was shorter, straighter and lifted suf-